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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

February 12, MARIE, German steamer, 714, W. Schaefer, Kelung 10th February, Ballast.—WIELER & Co.

February 12, MEI-FOO, American steamer, 1,284, W. H. Lunt, Chefoo 7th Feb., General.—RUSSELL & Co.

February 12, HAILOONG, British steamer, 277, F. D. Goddard, Pakhoi 8th February, Hoihow 9th, and Macao 12th, General.—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

February 12, GREYHOUND, British steamer, 227, D. Scott, Pakhoi 8th February, Hoihow 10th, and Macao 12th, General.—ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
12TH FEBRUARY.

Minna Deutschmann, German sch., for Kelung.
Rory, British str., for Swatow.
Namoa, British str., for Swatow.
Danube, British str., for Swatow.
Kowshing, British str., for Shanghai.
Ino, German bark, for Havre.
Achilles, British str., for Singapore.

DEPARTURES.

February 12, HARALD HAARFAGER, Norwegian sch., for Havre.
February 12, PROPONTIS, British steamer, for Saigon.
February 12, DECIMA, German str., for Saigon.
February 12, BENGAL, British str., for Saigon.
February 12, C. H. KIAN, British str., for Amoy.
February 12, KOWSHING, British steamer, for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Marie*, str., from Kelung.—1 European.
Per *Greyhound*, str., from Pakhoi, &c.—17 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The British steamer *Hailoong* reports left Pakhoi on the 8th inst., and had moderate N.E. wind with hazy weather. Left Hoihow on the 9th, had strong N.E. wind with head sea and rain squalls. Left Macao on the 12th, had moderate N.E. wind to port.—In Pakhoi H.M.S. *Foxhound* and str. *Mary Austin*. In Hoihow str. *Phra C. C. Klao*. In Macao str. *Greyhound*.

The British steamer *Mee-foo* reports left Chefoo on the 7th inst., at 5.40 a.m. From Chefoo had fresh and strong N.N.W. and N.N.E. winds and overcast weather to Pedro Blanco; overcast, misty, and drizzly weather to and from 6 a.m. this date, very strong N.E. wind and heavy sea. On the 11th, 8.30 a.m., 60° miles from Breaker Point saw a Blue Funnel boat bound North, and at 11.30 a.m., the *City of New York*, bound North.

VESSELS ARRIVED IN EUROPE FROM PORTS IN CHINA, JAPAN, AND MANILA.
(Per last Mail's Advice.)

Figaro	Hongkong	Dec. 17
Glengarry (s.)	Shanghai	Dec. 18
Santo Domingo (s.)	Manila	Dec. 18
Ulysses (s.)	Shanghai	Dec. 24

VESSELS EXPECTED AT HONGKONG.
(Corrected to Date.)

Elizabeth	Liverpool via Cardiff	July 23
Deutschland	Cardiff	Sept. 27
North American	Penarth	Oct. 11
Tsernogora	New York	Oct. 14
Thiorva	Newport	Oct. 24
Birnham Wood	Penarth	Nov. 1
New City	New York	Nov. 11
Hindostan	Cuxhaven	Nov. 13
H.M.S. A'memnon	Plymouth	Nov. 19
J. V. Troop	New York	Nov. 25
Wilna	Cardiff	Dec. 8
Yorkshire (s.)	Hamburg	Dec. 11
Devonshire (s.)	London	Dec. 13
Rufus E. Wood	Cardiff	Dec. 16
Merionethshire (s.)	H'burg via London	Dec. 20
Telemachus (s.)	London	Dec. 23
Bantam (s.)	Glasgow	Dec. 23
Glenorchy (s.)	London	Dec. 24

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Hongkong, 22nd December, 1884. [54

"JAPAN GAZETTE,"
YOKOHAMA.

HAVING been appointed AGENT in HONGKONG and SOUTH CHINA for the *Japan Gazette*, "Japan Gazette Summary," and "Hong List," Orders for Subscriptions and Advertisements will be received at this Office.
Hongkong Daily Press Office,
Hongkong, 23rd May 1877.

THE CEYLON HAND-BOOK AND DIRECTORY.

THIS Volume, which forms a valuable Repertory of Information regarding Ceylon and a General Handbook thereto, is widely circulated not only in the Island but throughout the British Empire.
It includes a complete list of all the Coffee, Coconut, Cinnamon, Tea, Sugar, and Cinchona plantations in the Island, with full particulars; also Directories of all sections of the community; a valuable body of Statistics, and much useful General Information. It is indispensable to all intelligent residents, or parties interested in the Colony.
PRICE OF THE VOLUME: 8 Rupees. Carriage to China (a big book) Rs. 1½.
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KELLY & WALSH HAVE JUST RECEIVED.
Whittaker's Almanack, 1885.
Beckett, by Lord Tennyson.
Belgravia Christmas Annual.
Gentleman's Christmas Annual.
Judy's Christmas Annual.
Tinsley's Christmas Annual.
Valdez's Portuguese Dictionary.
The Anatomy of Tobacco.
Tobacco Talk.
Lecky's Wrinkles in Navigation—New Ed.
Bergen's Navigation. Bergen's Marine Engineer's Guide. Bergen's Seamanship.
New Dance Music.
The Latest and Most Popular Songs.
New Cheap Collections of Vocal and Instrumental Music.
Wills' Bristol Bird's Eye Tobacco.
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Old Judge Tobacco.
Mild Old Judge Tobacco.
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KELLY & WALSH, HONGKONG. [24

W. BREWER has just received
A Metal Frame Trichord PIANO by Wagner, very cheap and guaranteed to Stand the Climate.
ANNUALS.
Christmas Graphic.
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Hongkong, 1st January, 1885. [72

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NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

MR. B. B. DALTON SAYLE was admitted a PARTNER in my Business from the 1st instant, and the name or Style of the FIRM in future will be W. R. LOXLEY & Co.
W. R. LOXLEY.
Hongkong, 14th January, 1885. [170

FROM This Date we have admitted MR. THOMAS KERR as PARTNER in our Firm.
A. G. GORDON & Co.,
Bowrington Foundry.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1885. [79

HONGKONG STEAM LAUNDRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Directors have appointed MR. R. C. HURLEY SECRETARY and MANAGER of the Company from the 1st instant. All Communications should therefore be addressed to him after this date. The Directors believe that, under the New Management, the grounds of complaint heretofore existing will be removed, and that full satisfaction will be given to Supporters.
Hongkong, 9th February, 1885. [334

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of MR. FREDERIC DELANO HITCH in our Firm in Hongkong, China, and elsewhere Ceased on the 30th June last.
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, 3rd January, 1885. [90

BANKS.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

INCORPORATED IN LONDON on 18th July, 1884.
UNDER THE COMPANIES ACT 1862 to 1863.

CAPITAL £2,000,000 IN 200,000 SHARES OF £10 EACH.

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Current Accounts kept on terms which may be learnt on application.
H. A. HERBERT.
Manager.
Hongkong, 15th September, 1884. [8

NOTICE.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION IN LIQUIDATION.

ALL HOLDERS of NOTES of the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION (HONGKONG BRANCH) are hereby requested to present them to the LIQUIDATORS of the Bank, when they will be given in Exchange a Certificate of the Value of the Notes deposited.
HOLDERS of NOTES will be required to furnish to the Liquidators of the Bank, a schedule, in duplicate, giving the date of Issue, Number, and amount of each Note produced.
Forms of Schedule may be had on application at the OFFICE of the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, Queen's Road, Hongkong.
For the
OFFICIAL LIQUIDATOR
OF THE
ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION
By his Attorneys
J. MELVILLE MATSON,
H. HOWARD TAYLOR.
Hongkong, 4th August, 1884. [48

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL	$7,500,000.
RESERVE FUND	4,400,000.
RESERVE FOR EQUALIZATION OF DIVIDENDS	400,000.
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS	7,500,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:—
Chairman—A. P. MCEWEN, Esq.
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DRAFTS granted on London, and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.
T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 25th August, 1884. [6

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—The Assets of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will form a direct Security for the repayment of sums deposited in the above Bank.

3.—Sums less than $1, or more than $250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than $1,500 in any one year.

4.—Deposits may be made on behalf of relations, of Trusts, &c., in addition to the Depositor's own account.

5.—Persons desirous of saving sums less than a dollar may do so by affixing clean ten-cent stamps to a form to be obtained at the Bank or at the Post Office. When the form is presented with ten clean stamps the depositor will be credited one dollar.

6.—Depositors in the Savings Bank having $100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

7.—Deposits may be forwarded from the Ports by means of clean Hongkong Postage Stamps of any values.

8.—Interest at the rate of 3½ per cent per annum will be allowed to Depositors on their daily balances.

9.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books, but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

10.—Covers containing Pass-Books, Registered Letters containing Stamps or other Remittances, and generally correspondence as to the business of the Bank will, if marked ON HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK BUSINESS, be forwarded free of Postage or Registration Fees by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

11.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the Depositor or his duly appointed Agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

12.—All documents connected with the business of the Savings Bank are exempt from Stamp Duty.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

WITH Reference to the above, business will be commenced on the 1st May, 1884.
For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 26th April, 1884 [7

NOTICE.

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THE MANHATTAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW YORK.
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THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to take applications for LIFE INSURANCE at reduced rates.
PUSTAU & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 1st August 1884. [64

SUN FIRE OFFICE.

The Undersigned are prepared from this date to GRANT POLICIES against FIRE at the Reduced Tariff Rates to the extent of $50,000 on First-class Risks.
LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
Agents,
Sun Fire Office.
Hongkong, 12th May, 1881. [13

FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, OF 1877, IN HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned, Agents of the above Company, are Prepared to ACCEPT RISKS at Current Rates.
PUSTAU & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 18th January, 1884. [195

NOTICE.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
The Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS on FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS at ½ per Cent. Nett premium per Annum.
NORTON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 20th May, 1881. [1

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents of the above Company, are authorised to INSURE against FIRE at Current Rates.
GILMAN & Co.
Hongkong, 1st January 1882. [16

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY AT HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to GRANT INSURANCES to the extent of $65,000, on first-class risks at current rates.
MELCHERS & Co.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1876. [10

THE STRAITS INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to GRANT POLICIES on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World, at current rates.
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, 5th November, 1883. [2077

NEW YORK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

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STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1883.

Accumulated Funds	£11,379,944.
Surplus over all liabilities and Reserve Fund according to valuation made by the Government	£ 2,139,338.
Income for year 1883	£ 2,717,599.

C. SETON LINDSAY,
Res. Manager,
Department of the East.
BIRLEY, DALRYMPLE & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong.
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THE SCOTTISH UNION & NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents of the above Company, are authorized to INSURE against FIRE at Current Rates.
STOLTERFOHT & HIRST.
Hongkong, 14th November, 1884. [168

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE THE FIRST.
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THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation, are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—
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Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China, and Australia.
FIRE DEPARTMENT.
Policies issued, for long or short periods at current rates.
LIFE DEPARTMENT.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000, at reduced rates.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, 26th July, 1872. [11

CALEDONIAN FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED 1805.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to issue Policies of Insurance against Fire on the usual terms.
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, January, 1882. [947

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

CAPITAL (SUBSCRIBED), $1,000,000.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LUM SIN SANG, Esq.
BAN HUP, Esq. | YOW CHONG PENG, Esq.
CHAN LI CHOY, Esq. | Q. HOI CHUNE, Esq.

The Company GRANTS POLICIES on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World, payable at any of its Agencies.
Contributory Dividends are payable to all Contributors of Business, whether they are Shareholders or not.
WOO LIN YUEN,
Secretary.
HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, Queen's Road West,
Hongkong, 14th March, 1881. [1923

PHŒNIX FIRE OFFICE.

The Undersigned are now prepared to GRANT POLICIES of INSURANCE against FIRE at the following Rates:—

On First-class European Tenements	at ½ °/. Net per Annum.
On First-class Godowns, & Merchandise stored therein	at ½ °/. Net per Annum.
On Coals	at 1 °/. Net per Annum.
On Petroleum in licensed Godowns	at 1½ °/. Net per Annum.
On First-class Chinese Tenements	at 2 °/. Net per Annum.
On Second-class Chinese Tenements	at 2½ °/. Net per Annum.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
Agents for Phœnix Fire Office.
Hongkong, 5th August, 1881. [15

INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG AND CHINA BAKERY COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company, will be held on TUESDAY, the 17th February, 1885, at 4:30 P.M., at the Office of the Company, 33, Queen's Road Central, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, and of declaring a Dividend.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1885. [286

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 7, Queen's Road Central, at TWELVE O'CLOCK, NOON, on FRIDAY, the 20th February, 1885, to receive a Statement of the Accounts of the Company to 31st December, 1884, and the Report of the General Managers, also to discuss any matters that may be competently brought before the Meeting.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 9th to 20th instant, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 3rd February, 1885. [297

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 45, Queen's Road, Victoria, at THREE O'CLOCK in the AFTERNOON of TUESDAY, the 24th February instant, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts, and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1884.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 24th instant, both days inclusive.
By Order,
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 5th February, 1885. [306

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the OFFICES of the COMPANY, No. 14, Praya Central, on TUESDAY, the 24th February, at 3.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and a Statement of Accounts to December 31st, 1884.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY the 10th to TUESDAY the 24th February, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
D. GILLIES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 30th January, 1885. [277

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS in this CORPORATION will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 28th day of February Current, at 11.30 O'CLOCK A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1884.
By Order of the Court of Directors,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 6th February, 1885. [315

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTER OF SHARES of this CORPORATION will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 28th February Current, (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.
By Order of the Court of Directors,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 6th February, 1885. [316

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, No. 7, Queen's Road, at TWELVE O'CLOCK, NOON, of SATURDAY, the 28th February instant, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1884, the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 15th to the 28th day of February instant, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited.
Hongkong, 6th February, 1885. [314

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that SHARE CERTIFICATE No. 1,123 for THREE SHARES Nos. 47,086/47,088 standing in the name of ONG KEE has been LOST, and should the same not be produced before the 26th February next, a NEW CERTIFICATE will be issued in place of it, and the Original Certificate will not be recognised by the Company.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 26th January, 1885. [241

INSURANCES.

LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY.

The Undersigned, as Agents for the above Company, are prepared from this date to GRANT POLICIES upon FIRST-CLASS RISKS to the extent of £15,000, at the Reduced Tariff Rates.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, 11th May 1881. [14

NOTICE.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED,
Is prepared to ACCEPT FIRST-CLASS RISKS at ½ °/. nett per Annum, and other INSURANCES at Current Rates.
AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon, Penang, and the Philippines.
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1882. [731

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

The Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.
SIEMSSEN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 16th November, 1872. [12

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship
"WINGSANG,"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their goods.
Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 7th February, 1885. [325

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship
"JAPAN,"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.
Cargo impeding discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
Consignees are hereby informed, that all Claims must be made immediately, as none will be entertained after the 13th instant.
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 7th February, 1885. [331

TO CONSIGNEES OF OPTIONAL CARGO EX O. S.S. CO.'S S.S. "AGAMEMNON," FROM LIVERPOOL.

SHIPPING Orders must be obtained from the Undersigned not later than the 14th inst., for shipment per steamer "TELEMACHUS."
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 7th February, 1885. [323

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "AGAMEMNON,"
are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and landed at the Godowns of the Undersigned; in both cases it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 8th February, 1885.
Goods undelivered after the 14th instant, 1885, will be subject to Rent.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 7th February, 1885. [323

INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG RACES.

"OFF-DAY," SATURDAY, 28TH FEB., 1885.

HACK RACE, for a CUP presented by the HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB, open to ponies that have not been entered at this Meeting, to be ridden by residents of Hongkong, members of the Jockey Club, who have never won a race in Hongkong or China prior to this meeting; catch-weights over 11th inst.; distance Once Round; the ENTRANCE FEES ($3 EACH) to go to the Second Pony.
ENTRIES CLOSE to the CLERK OF THE COURSE, on WEDNESDAY, the 18th instant.
H. J. H. TRIPP,
C. C.
Hongkong, 12th February, 1885. [350

KEATING'S COUGH LOZENGES.
COUGHS, ASTHMA, BRONCHITIS, DIFFICULTY of BREATHING are speedily cured by KEATING'S COUGH LOZENGES (recognised and recommended by the Medical Faculty). No other remedy is half so effective. One Lozenge alone gives relief. They contain no Opium, Morphia, nor any violent drug, and may be taken by the most delicate. One or two at bedtime ensures rest when troubled by the throat. Sold by all Chemists, in Bottles. [2287

SARAWAK.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

THE Undermentioned Farms, commencing from 1st July, 1885, will be sold by Public Auction at the Court House, Kuching, Sarawak, on the 1st April, 1885.
The Opium Farm for the Territory of Sarawak from Tanjong Datu to Barum river, inclusive.
The Gambling and Arrack Farms for the district of Sarawak Proper, viz: from Tanjong Datu to Sadong river inclusive.
For further particulars apply to the Hon'ble the Resident, Sarawak, or to Messrs A.L. JOHNSTON & Co., Singapore. [254

T. ALGAR AND COMPANY.
HOUSE AND ESTATE AGENTS,
RENTS COLLECTED.
BROWN, JONES & CO.,
UNDERTAKERS,
MOURNING STATIONERY, &c.,
MONUMENTS ERECTED.
6, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST. [22

HAIPHONG.
CALIXTE IMBERT,
COMMISSION AGENT AND CARGO CONSIGNEE
FOR IMPORT AND EXPORT,
HAIPHONG,
Will undertake Commissions for Firms in the Far East and receive Sample Consignments of Goods.
Communications in English and French. [1123

PORTLAND CEMENT.
J. B. WHITE & BROS.
SOLE AGENTS FOR CHINA,
HOLLIDAY WISE & Co.
Hongkong, 11th April 1883. [1118

THE Undersigned have been appointed Sole Agents for the Sale of their Goods in Hongkong and China by Messrs. J. & R. TENNENT, Glasgow, and Messrs. DAVID CORSAR & SONS, Arbroath.
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, January, 1867. [20

WINTER TIME TABLE.

THE KOWLOON FERRY.

STEAM-LAUNCH
"MORNING STAR"
Runs Daily as a Ferry Boat between PEDDAR'S WHARF and TSIM-TSA-TSUI at the following hours:—This Time Table will take effect from the 1st November, 1884.

WEEK DAYS. Leaves Kowloon	WEEK DAYS. Leaves Hongkong	SUNDAYS. Leaves Kowloon	SUNDAYS. Leaves Hongkong
6.00 A.M.	7.00 A.M.	6.00 A.M.	7.00 A.M.
8.00 "	8.30 "	7.30 "	8.00 "
8.50 "	9.00 "	9.00 "	10.15 "
9.40 "	10.15 "	11.00 "	12.00 NOON.
10.45 "	12.30 "	12.30 P.M.	1.00 P.M.
12.45 P.M.	1.00 P.M.	1.30 "	2.00 "
1.30 "	2.00 "	2.30 "	3.00 "
2.20 "	3.00 "	3.20 "	4.00 "
3.20 "	3.50 "	4.20 "	4.35 "
4.10 "	4.30 "	4.50 "	5.10 "
4.50 "	5.10 "	5.30 "	5.50 "
5.25 "	5.40 "	6.10 "	6.30 "
6.05 "	6.30 "	7.00 "	
6.50 "	7.05		

The above Time Table will be strictly adhered to except under unavoidable circumstances. In case of stress of wheather due notice will be given of any stoppages. [89

INTIMATIONS.

JURY LIST 1885.

NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to the provisions of Section 4 of Ordinance No. 24 of 1882, I have this day caused to be posted in the Court House, a List of all men ascertained by me to be liable to serve as Jurors.
The said List will remain so posted for the term of one fortnight, in order that any person may, as the case shall be, apply by notice in writing to me requiring that his name, or the names of some other person or persons may be respectively either added to, or struck off the said List, upon cause duly assigned in such notice.
Registry, Supreme Court,
this 30th day of January, 1885.
EDW. J. ACKROYD,
Registrar.
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HONGKONG FLOWER SHOW.

THE 13TH ANNUAL EXHIBITION will be held in the BOTANIC GARDEN,
TO-DAY,
the 13th February, 1885.
GATES OPEN AT 2 P.M.
ADMISSION..........20 cents.
Schedules of Prizes can be obtained from
CHARLES FORD,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1885. [288

FOR NAGASAKI.

THE Steamship
"MADRAS,"
Captain H. Plenge, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 14th instant, at THREE P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSSEN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 12th February, 1885. [353

FOR NINGPO AND SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship
"AMOY,"
Captain L. D'Egville, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 14th inst., at FOUR P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 13th February, 1885. [354

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship
"DIOMED,"
Captain Guthrie, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 17th inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 12th February, 1885. [227

BANK HOLIDAY.

IN accordance with Government Notification No. 64 of this date, the Undermentioned Banks will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business, on MONDAY, the 16th February, 1885.
FOR the CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON, AND CHINA.
JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.
FOR the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.
T. H. WHITEHEAD.
Acting Manager, Hongkong.
FOR the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
FOR the COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.
J. ARRANGER.
Agent.
FOR the NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.
H. A. HERBERT,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 12th February, 1885. [352

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DOUBLE BARREL FOWLING PIECES,
in Case with IMPLEMENTS
COMPLETE, $45.00.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, 13th February, 1884. [26

IN THE MATTER OF "THE COMPANIES ACTS, 1862 to 1880," and IN THE MATTER OF "THE EASTERN AGENCY, LIMITED." NOTICE is hereby given, that the Creditors of the above-named Company are required, on or before the 30th day of April, 1885, to send their names and addresses and the particulars of their Debts or Claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any) to us, the undersigned, the Liquidators of the said Company, at the Office of the said Company, No. 9, Fenchurch Avenue, in the City of London; and if so required by notice in writing from us are, by their Solicitors, to come in and prove their said Debts or Claims, at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such Debts are proved. Dated this 15th day of December, 1884.
ROD. MACKAY, } Liquidators of the
C. H. M. BOSMAN, } Eastern Agency,
J. D. CRUM EWING. } Limited.
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MAIL TABLES.

THE TABLE of ARRIVALS and DEPARTURES of ENGLISH and FRENCH MAILS at and from LONDON and HONGKONG with Anglo-Chinese Calendar can be had at 10 Cents each or $1 per dozen.
"Daily Press" Office,
5th January, 1885.

GEORGE GOULET CHAMPAGNE.
PUSTAU & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 18th January, 1884. [194

AN ENGLISHMAN, of long experience in China, having some leisure time, would be glad to Undertake ACCOUNTANT or other WORK. Thoroughly satisfactory references to present Employers and Others.
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Care of Office of this Paper
Hongkong, 14th January, 1885. [113

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE Undersigned have REMOVED from their Old Premises to No. 52, LYNDHURST TERRACE.
MEERZA EBRAHIM & Co.
Hongkong, 9th February, 1885. [335

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Arrivals and Departures of Mails at and from London and Hongkong.
Scales of Commissions and Charges adopted by the Chambers of Commerce of Hongkong, Shanghai and elsewhere.
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This issue contains the New Scale of Hongkong STAMP DUTIES, which will shortly come into operation, also tables of COURT FEES, never before published.

The APPENDIX consists of over FOUR HUNDRED PAGES of closely printed matter, to which reference is constantly required by residents and those having commercial or political relations with the Countries embraced within the scope of the CHRONICLE and DIRECTORY.

The Contents of the Appendix are too many to enumerate in an Advertisement, but include—

TREATIES WITH CHINA—
Great Britain, Nanking, 1842
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France, Tientsin, 1851
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" Additional, 1869
" Peking, 1880
German, Tientsin, 1861
" Peking, 1880
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Pilotage Regulations
HONGKONG
Charter of the Colony
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Correspondents are requested to forward their name and address with communications addressed to the Editor, not for publication, but as evidence of good faith.

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Orders for extra copies of the *Daily Press* should be sent before 11 a.m. on the day of publication. After that hour the supply is limited.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 13TH, 1885.

ALTHOUGH we shall continue to hope that the hero of Khartoum has not yet closed his brilliant and honourable career until positive and definite intelligence of an event so lamentable and distressing has been received, it must be confessed the news telegraphed by Reuter has an air of circumstantiality about it. It states that General GORDON was stabbed during the capture of Khartoum and died on the 4th instant. If this was the case it would indicate that the gallant officer was fighting at the head of his adherents, that he was wounded and captured, and that, as the telegram goes on to state, his followers were all massacred by the enemy. We would fain cling to the idea that this report of the gallant officer's decease, like the last, dated the 15th November, 1884, may prove incorrect, but it certainly has more foundation. The former report was to the effect that the General was shot dead while on the way to Berber, a journey which it was shown subsequently he never undertook. The present melancholy statement is correct so far as the capture of Khartoum is concerned, and nothing can be more natural than that its dauntless defender should perish in the attack. The only hope that can be entertained is that he may yet be a living prisoner in the hands of the Mahdi. Nothing would be more likely than the report of General GORDON'S death in conjunction with the fall of Khartoum. But he has borne a charmed life for many years in many climes, and it would be sad indeed if he should really have lost it when relief and deliverance were so near at hand, after so many months of heroic resistance against such tremendous odds and under such unfavourable conditions.

THE remarks made by the Tientsin correspondent of the *Shanghai Courier*, on the proposed introduction of railways into the Central Kingdom, reproduced in yesterday's issue, afford food for reflection. He shows very plainly that there is likely to be opposition of the strongest kind in districts where the innovation is likely to conflict with vested interests. The coal carriers of Peking, the camel drivers, the cart owners, and the junkmen of the Peiho have recently taken alarm in consequence of a decree by the Empress announcing that whenever the time serves railways will be made in China. Like the Ephesians in the days of ST. PAUL, these people perceive—or think they perceive—that their craft is in danger, and hence they are prepared to oppose the railroad to the utmost of their power. It is probable that the Central Government would prove strong enough to master this opposition if their own officials were loyal and carried out instructions, but the bulk of the mandarins are still hostile to the innovation, partly because they hate all change and partly because they think its introduction would interfere with their squeezes in collecting the taxes. As the correspondent above quoted points out, the introduction of the railway would tend to still further centralise all power in the hands of the Peking Authorities, and pave the way for a uniform system of taxation all over the empire, a new mode of collecting taxes, and would deprive the mandarins of their opportunities for illegal extortion. The Government of Peking are now, we believe, really anxious to introduce the railway into China, having, by their experience of the telegraph, been quite converted to a belief in its political value and importance, but they will meet with opposition, in some parts at any rate, though possibly it will turn out to be less obstinate and formidable than the Tientsin writer would lead us to believe. At any rate we may be sure that earnest attempts to construct some main lines to connect Peking with Shanghai and Central China will be commenced so soon as the present difficulties with France have been arranged. And, in spite of the mandarins and the craftsmen whose interests may appear to be threatened by the innovation, the great modern pioneer of progress and civilisation will ere long effect an entrance into the land from which it has for so many decades been successfully excluded.

"LOAFERS' Corner," or "Samshoo Corner," as the place is indiscriminately called, seems to possess great attractions for the beachcombing fraternity and the lower class of seamen ashore on leave. A case in the Police Court the other day gave some little idea of what goes on there. A sailor from one of the vessels in harbour sold a pair of boots to a Chinaman for thirty-five cents, and this small sum appears to have been sufficient to procure drinks for himself and a number of other men, the liquor of course being the abominable native spirit from which the corner takes one of its popular names, and which is there illegally retailed by Chinese to European sailors at very small cost. We think this well known corner ought to receive some special attention from the police, for the facilities for obtaining cheap and very unwholesome drinks there are no doubt responsible for a large proportion of the cases of destitution and drunkenness which come before the courts. If the illicit sale of cheap native spirit to seamen were effectually stopped a great temptation would be taken out of the way of men who are only too ready to succumb to it when it is constantly before them. Residents are often appealed to for assistance by men of the beachcombing class whose appearance plainly indicates that they "have not tasted food or raiment for two days" or more, as CHARLEY SPRAGGS would say. To refuse them seems unkind, but it is still more unkind to give them money, for with that they resort to "Samshoo Corner" to spend what has been given them in drink instead of food. To enable relief to be given without the risk of its being abused, the Committee of the Temperance Hall some time ago instituted a system of selling orders which would entitle the men to whom they were given, to a meal at that institution. This system has now been further improved, books of orders being issued free of charge, the sums due on the orders to be collected afterwards in the same way as ordinary chits. This will save the trouble of having to buy the books beforehand, and those who wish to afford relief to destitutes will no doubt find the system a great convenience. We congratulate the Committee of the Temperance Hall on their happy thought. The annual report of the Hall has just been issued, and shows that the institution has received a fair measure of support during the year. At the commencement of 1884 the debt was $1,500; the present year opens with a debt of $600 only. The Committee are naturally anxious to have this wiped off, for which purpose they earnestly solicit further donations. Their appeal is one which ought to be responded to by the community, for the Temperance Hall is an institution which is doing much good in the colony and one which ought to be warmly supported.

The O. and O. steamer *Oceanic*, with American mails, &c., left San Francisco on the 22nd ult. for Yokohama and this port.

The *Japan Mail* says that the latest intelligence from Seoul is to the effect that amicable relations exist between the officers of the Chinese and Japanese forces, and that the Chinese Commissioner Wuh is endeavouring to promote friendly feeling.

At the Supreme Court yesterday morning another gentleman was admitted to practice at the Hongkong bar, namely, Mr. Andrew John Leach, who comes from Shanghai. The motion was made by the Attorney-General, who said he understood that the papers, certificates, affidavits, &c., necessary in such cases had been filed. The affidavits of Mr. Leach and of Mr. Mackean showed that the former had been called to the bar in November, 1876.

The *China Mail* publishes a telegram dated Shanghai, 12th February, 10.44 a.m., to the following effect:—"The British Consul has protested against the blocking of the bar, and the channel is again open." Yesterday afternoon we received a telegram from our correspondent at Shanghai dated 3.26 p.m. as follows:—"French vessels have appeared at Gutzlaff. The Chinese have ordered the river at Woosung to be blocked." No mention was made of the protest of the British Consul, but there is no reason to doubt the correctness of our contemporary's information. At all events, we hope it will prove to be accurate.

We are requested to state that, should the English and French mails now due arrive together, or nearly so, it will be necessary to make special arrangements for delivery to prevent confusion. As it is impossible to say which mail will arrive first, the nature of the arrangements to be made cannot be fixed beforehand, but notice will be circulated as early as practicable. It will be necessary to keep the Post Office entirely closed against applications of all kinds for about an hour and a half, while the French mail is being sorted, and during this time the delivery of the English mail, supposing it to have arrived, will be unavoidably suspended.

The return cricket match between The Buffs and the Hongkong Cricket Club (postponed from last week) will be played to-day, commencing at 2 p.m. punctually, and to-morrow, commencing at 11 a.m. The following are the teams:—

THE BUFFS.	THE H.K.C.C.
G. G. H. D'Aeth (Capt.)	G. S. Coxon (Capt.)
Capt. Gordon	C. S. Barff
H. St. D. Jarrett	W. M. Deane
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C. P. Lloyd	J. C. C. Hendry
Sergt. Howard	A. J. Leach
Corpl. Hopkins	Capt. Peatson, R.N.
Drumr. Rees	J. H. Plumbe, R.M.L.I.
Priv. Jones	W. B. Robertson
Priv. Meade	C. U. Stuart
Priv. Sewall	H. H. Taylor

By kind permission of Colonel Graves and the officers of The Buffs, the Band will perform on the Cricket Ground during to-morrow afternoon.

Another of the Temperance Hall concerts was given yesterday evening, and proved a most enjoyable one. Mr. Granville Sharp presided, and opened the proceedings with a few remarks on the subject of temperance. The programme then opened with a pianoforte duet by Messrs. G. Lammert and G. Grimble, which was given in capital style. This was followed by a sacred trio, "Lift thine eyes," by ladies. The voices were well balanced, and blended together with great sweetness. The audience showed their appreciation by a hearty encore, but this was not responded to, the Chairman saying he was requested to express the ladies' thanks. The same ladies later on in the evening gave another trio, "Song of the water lilies," and also took part with a well-known tenor and baritone (Mr. Dear and Mr. Dobson) in two quintettes, "Oh, who will o'er the downs with me" and "The Blue Bells of Scotland," Mr. Cattaneo accompanying on the pianoforte. Each of these pieces was a musical treat, and the audience were loud in their applause. The third item on the programme was a song, "The Marmaid," by Mr. Whittall, who did full justice to it. This was followed by "Thy bright smile haunts me still," sung by a lady who has recently returned to the colony, and who possesses a clear soprano voice of good compass. The same lady also sang "The miller and the maid," and received a large amount of applause for each. A violin solo by a young lady, "Hope told a flattering tale," quite brought down the house, to use the common phrase, and the audience were very unwilling to forgo an encore, but the Chairman stated that owing to the entertainment having commenced somewhat later than the intended time, it was particularly requested that no encores should be demanded. We hope to have the pleasure of hearing the fair violinist on many future occasions, a hope in which all who were present at the Temperance Hall last night will join. The performance was not without defects; the bowing was somewhat stiff, and there was an occasional hesitancy in taking the notes, but with further experience and more confidence these faults will disappear. A pianoforte solo by another young lady, "Non è ver," was given with spirit and expression, and afforded much pleasure. The other items of the programme were three songs—"Ever thine," sung by Mr. Melbye, "Steering for home," by Mr. Brewer, and "The Knights guerdon," by Mr. Grace, all of which were well rendered.

Messrs. Coxon and Haseland having challenged for second honours in the late Cricket Club Lawn Tennis Championship, met together on the 3rd instant to decide which was to compete with Mr. Bird, the runner up, when Mr. Coxon won easily by two sets to nothing. Yesterday at 4 p.m., Messrs. Coxon and Bird played the final ties, when, after a hard fight, Mr. Coxon won by two sets to one.

G. S. Coxon	2—6—6
S. G. Bird	6—2—3

A young Chinaman named Mok Yow Wai committed suicide yesterday morning by taking opium. He had formerly been in America, and wanted to return, but had no papers to enable him to do so. Before taking his life he wrote a letter to his wife of which the following is a translation:—"Some time ago I deposited in the Cheung Lee four chairs and one table which I had bought. You can go and ask for them for your own use. My conduct is rather bad. I was smoking opium and drinking as you know. It is a pity that you are suffering from hardships at home. You are free from going to my place, Sha Tam Po. I am the only one man who was born in four generations. I am a poor man and have no relations. It is a great pity that you, my wife, are young. I feel uneasy and ashamed of myself. I can say no more. Mok Yow Wai to Lo Shi, my wife. 27th day, last moon." This was addressed "Lo Shi, good wife open, from husband Mok Ching Tung." An inquest was held on the body at the Mortuary yesterday afternoon, when a verdict of *felo de se* was returned.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, 11th February.

THE WAR IN THE SOUDAN.

Arrangements are being made for calling out 10,000 men of the Army Reserve, and 2,600 Indian troops are under orders to proceed to Egypt.

Colonel Wilson has returned to Korti.

BOMBAY, 11th February.

REPORTED DEATH OF GENERAL GORDON.

It is stated that General Gordon was stabbed during the capture of Khartoum by the rebels and died on the 4th instant. His followers were all massacred.

THE ADVANCE ON LANGSON.

Mr. Colquhoun has received the following telegram from Tonquin, dated the 9th inst.—

At 21 miles from Chu, three days' fighting occurred through a long defile, where a vigorous defence was made by the enemy. Forts were taken with great loss to the Chinese.

SHOOTING MATCH.

H.M.S. "CLEOPATRA" v. THE HONGKONG POLICE FORCE.

The following are the scores made in the above match at the Kowloon range on Wednesday last:—

200 YARDS.

								TOTAL.
P.S. Kemp	4	4	2	3	4	2	3	22
P.S. McKay	4	5	3	5	4	5	4	30
P.S. Mann	4	2	5	3	5	5	5	29
P.C. McDonald	4	5	3	3	4	4	4	27
P.S. Butlin	3	4	4	5	5	5	5	31
P.C. Sutherland	5	3	5	3	4	2	5	27
P.C. Cameron	5	4	4	4	3	4	5	29
Inspector Thomson	3	2	4	5	4	5	5	28
								223

500 YARDS.

P.S. Kemp	2	4	2	3	2	3	2	18
P.S. McKay	5	3	3	3	3	5	4	26
P.S. Mann	4	4	5	5	3	3	5	29
P.C. McDonald	4	4	5	3	4	3	2	25
P.S. Butlin	4	0	5	4	3	5	5	26
P.C. Sutherland	2	3	3	5	5	2	4	24
P.C. Cameron	2	4	3	4	4	4	4	25
Inspector Thomson	0	3	5	4	2	5	4	23
								196

200 YARDS.

								TOTAL.
Curtis	2	4	5	5	5	2	5	28
Buller	5	3	3	5	5	4	4	29
Bickerton, R.M.	3	4	3	4	3	2	3	22
Lieut. Cochrane	2	3	4	4	2	4	3	22
Lieut. Primrose	4	2	3	5	5	5	3	27
Lieut. Woods	4	2	3	3	3	4	5	24
Rogers	4	5	4	5	4	4	5	31
Martin	5	4	4	2	2	2	3	22
								205

500 YARDS.

Curtis	2	2	2	5	4	2	4	21
Buller	2	3	4	5	4	5	5	28
Bickerton, R.M.	4	R	4	2	3	4	5	22
Lieut. Cochrane	4	5	5	2	5	5	4	30
Lieut. Primrose	5	2	3	2	3	2	3	20
Lieut. Woods	3	4	2	3	2	2	5	21
Rogers	5	5	4	5	5	5	4	33
Martin	4	2	3	2	2	3	3	19
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HONGKONG FLOWER SHOW.

The thirteenth annual flower show of the Hongkong Horticultural Exhibition Society was held in the Botanic Gardens yesterday afternoon. A large number of visitors attended, and were well rewarded, the show in all its sections being a remarkably good one and a very pretty sight. The committee are to be congratulated on the success which has attended their efforts for the promotion of horticulture, the art having made a steady advance in the colony during the whole period the society has been in existence. In some years the weather which has prevailed previous to the show has interfered with the excellence of the plants being prepared for exhibition, but during the present season the conditions, judging from the results, would seem to have been eminently favourable. There was a very handsome display of plants in pots of all descriptions, particularly of geraniums. Two beautiful daphnes for which Mr. Hassell and Mr. Nowrojee took first and second prize respectively were much admired, as were also several fine pots of daisies shown amongst the annuals. There was a very good display of cut flowers and hand bouquets, the first prize for the latter being taken by Mrs. H. J. Holmes and the second by Mrs. J. C. Hughes. In the class for table decorations there was a larger number of competitors than we have seen for some years, and the designs were all very tasteful and pretty; Mrs. J. H. Cox took the first prize, Miss Hugo second, and a special prize was awarded to Miss Bell-Irving. In the class for table decorations of wild flowers Mrs. Coxon took the first prize, with a very handsome and massive arrangement of berries, ferns, and foliage; the design of Mrs. H. W. Davis, for which the second prize was awarded, was in lighter style. A novelty was also shown by Mrs. Davis—a novelty in Hongkong at least—namely, a design for a cottage garden and grounds, for which a special prize was awarded. The class for fruit only brought out three competitors, amongst whom Mr. Nowrojee was *facile princeps*, his exhibit consisting of a large number of different kinds of fruit, all well grown. The various classes for vegetables were well filled, and if some of the exhibits were not of a very high order of merit the show in this department was on the whole an excellent one and in striking contrast to the display made in the early days of the Horticultural Society. It is especially satisfactory to notice the steady improvement made by the Chinese market gardeners.

The arrangements were the same as in previous years, the matshed in which the exhibits were arranged occupying the whole length of the main walk on the fountain terrace and the two end walks. The judges were:—For flowers, Messrs. Thec. Sampson (Canton) and A. B. Westland; for vegetables shown by Europeans, Messrs. A. E. Vaucher and H. W. Hambling; and for vegetables shown by market-gardeners, Messrs. J. D. Humphreys and F. Rapp. The Committee consisted of Messrs. J. M. Armstrong (Chairman and Hon. Treasurer), W. M. B. Arthur, C. P. Chater, J. H. Cox, E. George, H. J. Holmes, W. K. Hughes, F. Rapp, A. G. Romano, A. E. Vaucher, J. Y. V. Vernon, E. L. Woodin, and C. Ford (Honorary Secretary). We understand that Mr. E. R. Belilios has generously given a sum of $2,000 to be placed in trust for the benefit of the flower show, the interest to be used for the purpose of providing prizes.

His Excellency the Governor, accompanied by Capt. Lewis, A.D.C., was amongst the first of the visitors to arrive, and remained in the grounds for the greater portion of the afternoon.

The band of H.M.S. *Audacious* was in attendance and played a choice selection of music.

PLANTS IN POTS.

Six Annuals—1, Mr. D. Nowrojee; 2, Mr. E. L. Woodin.
Three Foliage Plants—1, Mr. Woodin; 2, Mr. J. G. T. Hassell.
Three Flowering Plants—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mr. Woodin.
Three Ferns—1, Mr. Nowrojee; 2, Mr. Woodin.
Three Camellias—1, Mr. Nowrojee; 2, Mr. Hassell.
Two Dahlias—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mr. Nowrojee.
Three Geraniums, single—1, Mr. Woodin; 2, Mr. Hassell.
Three Geraniums, double—1, Mr. Romano's Gardener; 2, Mr. Hassell.
Three Roses—1, Mr. Nowrojee; 2, Mr. Hassell.
Three Chrysanthemums—1, Mr. Woodin; 2, Mr. Nowrojee.
Two Chrysanthemums—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mr. Woodin.
One Chrysanthemum—1, Mrs. McEwen; 2, Mr. Hassell.
One Flowering Plant—1, Mr. Nowrojee; 2, Mr. Hassell.
One Foliage Plant—1, Mr. Woodin; 2, Mr. Hassell.
One Camellia—1, Mr. H. M. Mehta; 2, Mr. Woodin.
One Rose—1, Mr. Romano's Gardener; 2, Mr. H. J. Holmes.
Two Asters, Chinese—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mr. Nowrojee.
Two Asters, English—1, Mr. Romano's Gardener; 2, Mr. Hassell.
One Aster—1, Mr. Romano's Gardener; 2, Mr. Hassell.
One Annual—1, Mr. Romano's Gardener; 2, Mr. Woodin.
One Dahlia—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mr. Mehta.
One Geranium—1, Mr. Romano's Gardener; 2, Mr. C. P. Chater.
One Tree Fern—1, Mrs. Forbes.
One Hyacinth—1, Mr. Romano's Gardener; 2, Mrs. Ford.
One Gladiolus—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mr. Chater.
One Orchid—1, Mr. Woodin; 2, Mr. Romano's Gardener.
One Daphne—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mr. Nowrojee.
One Lily—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mr. Romano's Gardener.
One Narcissus—1, Mr. Nowrojee; 2, Mr. Hassell.
One Palm—1, Mrs. Forbes; 2, Mr. Woodin.
One Pot of Pansies—1, Mr. Nowrojee; 2, Mr. Woodin.
One Pot Chinese Primulas—1, Mr. Woodin; 2, Mr. Hassell.
Six Ferns, indigenous to Hongkong—1, Mr. Woodin; 2, Mr. Nowrojee.
Six Ferns—1, Mr. Woodin; 2, Mr. Hassell.

CUT FLOWERS.

Four Camellia Blooms—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mr. Nowrojee.
Four Chrysanthemum Blooms—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mr. Nowrojee.
Four Rose Blooms—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mr. Romano's Gardener.
Six Bunches Cut Flowers, dissimilar (each bunch to consist of one variety only)—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mrs. J. C. Hughes.
Stumps or Rockwork with Ferns and/or Creepers—1, Mr. Woodin; 2, Mrs. Dalrymple.
Hand Bouquet—1, Mr. Holmes; 2, Mrs. Hughes.
Table Decorations—1, Mrs. J. H. Cox; 2, Miss Hugo; 3, Miss Bell-Irving, special.
Table Decorations of Wild Flowers—1, Mrs. Coxon; 2, Mrs. H. W. Davis.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

Cottage Garden and Grounds.—Mrs. Davis.

VEGETABLES.

Six kinds of Vegetables—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mr. Nowrojee.
Two heads of Celery, large—1, Mr. Nowrojee; 2, Mr. Hassell.
Two heads of Celery, dwarf—1, French Mission; 2, Mr. Hassell.
Six Beet Roots (long)—1, Mr. Nowrojee; 2, Mr. Smith.
Six Beet Roots (short or round)—1, Mr. Chater; 2, Mr. Vaucher.
Six Carrots (long)—1, Mr. Nowrojee; 2, Mr. Hassell.
Six Carrots (short or early)—1, Mr. Cox; 2, Mr. Holmes.
Six Parsnips—1, Mr. Woodin.
Two Cauliflowers—1, Mr. Nowrojee; 2, Mr. Cox; 3, Mr. H. N. Mody, special.
Two Cabbages—1, Mr. Woodin; 2, Mr. Cox.
Two Cabbages, red—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mr. Mody.
Two Lettuce Cos.—1, Mr. Woodin; 2, French Mission.
Two Lettuce Cabbages—1, Mr. Mody; 2, Mr. Hassell.
One Dish Parsley—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, French Gentleman; 3, Mr. Woodin, special.
Fifty Pods of Peas—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mrs. Forbes.
Fifty Pods of Beans, French—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mr. Nowrojee.
Twenty-five Pods of Beans, broad—1, Mr. Nowrojee; 2, Mr. Woodin.
Twenty-five Potatos, white—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mr. Nowrojee.
Twenty-five Potatos, red—1, Mrs. Forbes; 2, Mr. Hassell.
Six Turnips—1, Mr. Chater; 2, Mr. Hassell.
Six Turnips, Swedes—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mr. Nowrojee.
Twelve Onions—1, French Mission; 2, Mr. Hassell.
Twelve Leeks—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mr. Vaucher.
Twelve Shallots—1, Mr. Hassell.
Twenty-five Radishes, Turnip rooted—1, Mr. Nowrojee; 2, Mr. Woodin.
Twenty-five Radishes, long—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mr. Woodin.
Six Kohl Rabi—1, Mr. Woodin; 2, Mr. Vaucher.
Two Savoys—1, Mr. Woodin.
Fifty Brussels Sprouts—1, French Mission; 2, Mr. Woodin.
Twelve Tomatos—1, Mr. Mody; 2, Mr. Chater.
Two Vegetable Marrows—1, Mr. Woodin.
Two Couve Tronchouda—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mr. Vaucher.
Six Horse Radish—1, Mr. Hassell.
Two Scotch Kail—1, Mr. Woodin; 2, Mr. Holmes.
Arrowroot—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mr. Nowrojee.
Best Collection of Sweet and Pot Herbs—1, Mr. Hassell; 2, Mr. Nowrojee.

CHINESE MARKET GARDENERS.

Four kinds of Vegetables—1, Kam Lum-po; 2, Chan Atip; 3, Kam Anun.
Two heads of Celery—1, Koo Awai; 2, Thim Po; 3, Leung Asam.
Six Beet Roots, short—1, Kam Sing; 2, Koo Awai; 3, Chi Ahow.
Six Carrots—1, Chi Ahow; 2, Kam Lum-po; 3, Chi Aking.
Two Cauliflowers—1, Chi Aking; 2, Fong Akau; 3, Ko Afan.
Two Cabbages—1, Kam Lum-po; 2, Ah Yuk; 3, Fong Akau.
Two Cabbages, Drumhead—1, Chi Aking; 2, Fong Akau; 3, Im Po.
Two Lettuce, Cos—1, Ah Yuk; 2, Fong Apiu; 3, Kam Lum-po.
Two Lettuce, Cabbage—1, Kam Sing; 2, Chi Ahow, 3, Chi Aking.
One Dish of Parsley—1, Ku Afau; 2, Tim Po; 3, Chi Aking.
Fifty Pods of Peas—1, Fong Apiu; 2, Chi Aking; 3, Kam Sing.
Fifty Pods of Beans, French—1, Fong Apiu; 2, Koo Afau; 3, Chi Akow.
Twenty-five Potatos—1, Fung Apiu; 2, Fung Akau; 3, Kam Anun.
Six Turnips—1, Fong Akau; 2, Im Apo; 3, Chi Ahow.
Twenty-five Radishes—1, Chau Atip; 2, Leung Asam; 3, Tin Apo.
Fifty Brussels Sprouts—1, Fung Apiu; 2, Leung Asam; 3, Chi Ahun.
Twelve Tomatos—1, Kam Lum-po; 2, Ayuk; 3, Ko Awai.
Six Horse Radish—1, Fong Akau; 2, Kam Anun; 3, Tin Apo.
Six Arrow-roots, West Indian—1, Ayuk; 2, Fong Apiu.
Six Kohl Rabi—1, Fong Akau; 2, Leung Asam; 3, Wan Asing.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

Best collection of Sweet and Pot Herbs—1, Mr. Mody, special.
Two Yams—1, Mr. Nowrojee, special; 2, Mr. Hassell, special.

FRUIT.

Best collection of Fruit, (grown in Hongkong)—1, Mr. Nowrojee; 2, Mr. Holmes.

SUPREME COURT.

12th February.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE HON. SIR GEORGE PHILLIPPO, CHIEF JUSTICE.

CHUN YIK CHUNG AND OTHERS v. M. J. D. STEPHENS.

Mr. J. J. Francis, instructed by Mr. Caldwell, for the plaintiffs; the Attorney-General (Hon. E. L. O'Malley) and Mr. H. M. Baily, instructed by Messrs. Wotton and Deacon, for the defendant.

Mr. Danby was again put into the box and further cross-examined to a small extent, after which Mr. Francis re-examined him.

Lieut. Edward Druitt, R.E., was next called and stated that he had made measurements of the greater part of the block containing Marine Lots 198 and 204. He had measured the present existing boundaries and he had verified and checked the measurements of the plan produced by Mr. Danby, which was perfectly correct according to the actual measurements of the buildings, and the plan was correctly drawn according to scale.

Mr. Francis said that concluded his case.

The Attorney-General addressed the court for the defence at considerable length. He claimed that by the existing lease of Marine Lot 184, which had recently been granted to Mr. Stephens by the Crown, the boundaries were fixed and marked out by pegs by the officer of the Surveyor-General's Department; and that the boundary granted him by that lease covered all that portion of ground on which it was alleged that he had encroached, and brought him close up against the wall of the plaintiffs' existing godown, and gave him that part where he had pulled down a portion of the plaintiffs' wall. If that was proved the only question that remained was whether the Crown had power to give the land with such boundaries, or whether anything else had happened in the granting of other leases, or by arrangement or acquiescence of the leaseholders they had parted with power to grant such boundaries. He should contend that the plaintiffs' buildings were standing upon an encroachment of Crown land.

His Lordship remarked that he did not think they could confine themselves to boundaries, but upon the ground which was actually sold, though boundaries were of great importance to a certain extent.

The Attorney-General said he must confess that his case rested upon boundaries, and he thought it was a question of boundaries between the parties. He was speaking of the boundaries that were actually sold.

His Lordship—And recognised as such.

The Attorney-General said it might be more or less a matter of recognition, but there were other matters beside recognition; that was only one item in the case. The broad question was whether the Western boundary of Marine Lot 185, and the Eastern boundary of Marine Lot 184 were as originally granted. He proposed to show by the evidence of an officer of the Surveyor-General's Department that the plaintiffs' buildings encroached over the boundary that was made by the original lease.

His Lordship said it appeared to him the Attorney-General was going too much upon the question of boundaries. It seemed to him that the real question was what was actually granted, and what the parties were actually in possession of at the time.

The Attorney-General submitted that it was material if he could establish that it was so irrespective of all the actions of the parties since. It was a point that he should start from.

His Lordship said he took it parties were bound by acquiescence. If one of the parties had built beyond his boundary, and the owner of the adjoining lot did not interfere, he or his successors were bound by it. If not buildings might be pulled down all over Hongkong, and the place laid in ruins, which was a thing he should do all he could to put a stop to.

The Attorney-General said there was no evidence of acquiescence in this case.

His Lordship said he had been surprised to find that the defendant had pulled down the wall of another man's house which he or his predecessors had seen in course of erection and had made no objection to. If the right had been surrendered by the Crown the Crown had no more right than any private individual to lease that ground which had been surrendered.

The Attorney-General said that still the question of boundaries did affect the question, and he proposed to call Mr. Hancock, an officer of the Surveyor-General's Department, who carefully surveyed the ground. He should show by that gentleman's evidence that even according to plans put in by the plaintiffs the ground which really belonged to Mr. Stephens's lot lay actually some distance beyond the line he had taken, and beyond the point where he had cut away the plaintiffs' wall.

His Lordship said that was a strong measure, and he thought it was a mistake to do so for the few inches that had been gained.

Mr. Francis—A whole two inches.

The Attorney-General—No, it was more than that. The line of the plaintiffs' building could not have been the correct boundary, because the boundaries of these lots were always made in straight lines. The part of the building which Mr. Stephens had cut away formed a sort of elbow which made the line crooked. Had Mr. Stephens waited before taking that measure it might, perhaps, have been better, but the boundary he should put before His Lordship would show that he was justified to some extent in what he had done. The amount of space cut away was important, for its continuation would have a considerable effect upon the size of the lot, and Mr. Stephens required it to build upon. The Attorney-General then went into the method by which Mr. Hancock arrived at his conclusions, and the facts which supported them.

Mr. William St. John Hugh Hancock, land surveyor of the Surveyor General's Department, was called, and his examination by the Attorney-General occupied the whole of the afternoon. He produced plans and drawings that he had made, and his evidence went to bear out what the Attorney-General had said as to boundaries. From a careful survey of the ground, and a minute inspection of all existing sale and other plans, drawings, &c., and the records of the Land Office, he had no doubt as to what were the original boundaries of these lots, and that the plaintiffs had encroached considerably beyond their boundary. In considering the matter of the extension of Mr. Stephens's lot on the surrender of his lease, he followed his instructions of not interfering with existing buildings on the lots more than was possible, and he had taken the course which seemed to be the most just to all parties. He had allowed the plaintiffs to retain possession of the greater part of the land they had encroached upon with their buildings, otherwise the boundary line between their lot and that of Mr. Stephens would have been considerably more to the eastward than where the defendant now sought to enforce his boundary. It was absolutely necessary that these boundaries should be made in straight lines, and he had laid the boundary for the defendant's lot with its present extension in a straight line which just touched a corner of the plaintiffs' building.

His Lordship observed that he had no doubt Mr. Hancock had followed the course which he deemed was the most just to all parties, but the question was whether he could enforce it.

Mr. Francis stated that his cross-examination could not possibly be completed that afternoon, and the hearing was further adjourned to this morning.

IN ADMIRALTY.

THOMAS HOWARD & CO. v. THE BRITISH STEAMER "MADRAS."

Mr. Francis, instructed by Messrs. Wotton and Deacon, for the plaintiffs; the Attorney-General (Hon. E. L. O'Malley), instructed by Messrs. Sharp, Johnson, and Stokes, for the defendant.

This was a claim for money alleged to have been supplied to the captain of the ship for necessaries by the plaintiff as agent for the owners of the ship. The defence was that it had not been shown the money had been supplied for necessaries, and the Attorney-General opposed a reference of the matter to the Registrar to ascertain what, if anything, was expended for necessaries. His Lordship then reserved his judgment on the point, but gave it this morning as the vessel was in port and was shortly to leave, and the evidence of the captain was required upon the point of whether the money was advanced for necessaries.

His Lordship, in delivering judgment, alluded to the case of the *West Friesland* which the Attorney-General had cited in opposing the reference of the case to the Registrar, and he held that as it had been definitely made out in that case that the money was not for necessaries, it did not affect this case. His Lordship also referred to the cases of the *Roderick Dhu* and the *Heinrich Joan*, and from the order made in the latter case he was of opinion that it was open to the court to refer this matter to the Registrar. He should accordingly order this case to be so referred.

Mr. Francis applied for an order for the immediate examination of the captain, as otherwise there were certain other matters which it might be contended on the other side must be gone through first which would delay the examination until the ship had gone. He was informed that no facilities would be given by the other side, but the same course which had previously been followed of taking every technical objection, and putting forward every obstruction would be persisted in.

His Lordship said he knew of no precedent for such a course, but it seemed to him that in the case of a vessel leaving the evidence of the master ought to be taken.

The Attorney-General said of course he should have an opportunity of being heard upon the point, and he had had no notice of this application.

Mr. Francis, after some further discussion, obtained permission to bring forward his application later in the day upon affidavit with short notice to the other side.

POLICE COURT.

12th February.

BEFORE MR. H. E. WODEHOUSE.

A LUNATIC.

Pang Ting Man charged his adopted brother, Tsai Yau Po, with creating a great disturbance in his shop at No. 58, Praya West. He said the man was insane, and he wanted to take him back to the country.

Ordered to be sent to the Tung Wah Hospital.

CURIOSITY REWARDED.

Lam Asun was charged with being on the premises of the Cosmopolitan Dock for an unlawful purpose. Defendant said he "only went to have a look," but as his conduct was suspicious he was sent to gaol for fourteen days.

CUTTING BRANCHES.

Chun Leong Sing, a coolie in the employ of Dr. Adams, was charged with cutting branches. The branches were very small; when arrested the defendant said he had cut them at the Peak, and he now added that he did not know the rules.—Discharged with a caution.

Loi Afuk, for cutting branches on Government land at Caroline Hill, was fined 50 cents, in default three days' hard labour.

THE ATTEMPTED ROBBERY AT THE NAVAL YARD.

Lam Asz, the man who was caught by some of the employés of the Naval Yard ransacking their rooms, was again before the court, and some additional evidence having been taken, he was committed for trial. He has two previous convictions against him, the last one in February last, when he got six months for entering a dwelling house by night with intent to commit a felony.

A DISHONEST APPRENTICE.

Mak Achi and Li Aching were charged, the first with stealing clothing, value $11, and the second with being concerned in the affair. The prosecutor, Cho Ahon, is a tailor, and the first defendant was in his service as an apprentice. The first defendant admitted taking the clothing, but said the second told him to do it; this the second denied.

The first defendant was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour; the second was discharged.

HONGKONG AND THE FRANCO-CHINESE WAR.

The situation is now (says the *Shanghai Mercury*) replete with grave eventualities. We hear that instructions have been sent by the French Government to Admiral Courbet authorising him to enforce strict belligerent rights, including search of neutral vessels, on the high seas, and their capture if laden with contraband of war. A notification to the same effect has already been issued by H.B.M.'s Vice-Consul at Shanghai.

In the changed state of the situation, the following questions are asked in Shanghai:—

1st.—Do the French intend to enforce strictly their right on all neutral vessels, or only on British? England, by declaring that sufficient state of war existed to put the Foreign Enlistment Act into vigorous action as far as Hongkong is concerned, has put herself, it seems to some, out of Court, should it suit the French to search all vessels entering Hongkong, which they have a just right to do, and which would be a much easier thing to do than to blockade Formosa. As most vessels now on the way from London and other neutral ports have more or less war material on board, they are liable on search to be then taken to the nearest French port and possibly have the ship, &c., confiscated. This would mean a practical blockade of Hongkong and a most severe blow to England, especially as large amounts of war material for Hongkong fortifications are on the way out in merchant vessels.

2nd.—Does the threatened action strike only at England? Germany has made no sign yet, nor have any other nations as far as we know. They are not out of Court as England is, and can plead that war not having been declared no right of search exists on the high seas. This would drive the carrying of warlike or *doubtful* material into other than British bottoms, which would materially hurt our shipping so long as the state of war at present declared, by England remember, exists. Possibly France means to stick to her programme of reprisals which may last for a very considerable time, as nothing short of an expedition to Peking or extreme pressure from outside can bring the Chinese to terms.

3rd.—Is this only a card played by France to try and force England to accept the situation and suspend the Foreign Enlistment Act till war is declared by France, and, or China?

4th.—Can England do so with any degree of "face," and thereby prevent the ruin of Hongkong trade *pro tem.*, serious injury to shipping interests, and the, almost certain, chance of being forced into war with France later on, by some accident perhaps?

5th.—Was not the enforcement of the Foreign Enlistment Act a grave error on the part of our Government in the present unguarded state of Hongkong and our commerce East of Suez?

THE HALL & HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY.

An extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders in this Company was held on the 5th inst, at the offices of the Company in Nanking Road, Shanghai, for the purpose of confirming the resolutions passed at the extraordinary general meeting of the 6th ultimo, as to the Registration of the Company under the Hongkong Ordinances 1865 to 1881 as a Company with liability limited by shares.

Mr. E. W. Rice (Chairman) presided, and there were also present Messrs. H. Everall, J. Morris, F. W. Galles, J. M. Rogerson, H. Good, G. Galles, B. A. Valentine, W. H. Short, H. J. Dyer and W. W. Clifford (Secretary), representing in all 4,556 shares and 276 votes.

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting—

The CHAIRMAN stated that the business was merely formal, and he would at once call upon the Secretary to read the minutes of the last meeting.

The SECRETARY having read the minutes,

The CHAIRMAN moved that the minutes of the last extraordinary general meeting be confirmed, which was seconded by Mr. EVERALL and carried.

The CHAIRMAN then said the benefits that would accrue to the shareholders and the business generally, by registration of the Company at Hongkong under the Limited Liability ordinances had been fully pointed out at the last meeting, of which they had just heard the minutes read, and he therefore proposed:—

That the Resolutions passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the 6th January, Empowering the Board to take the necessary steps to register the Co. under the Hongkong Ordinances, and to alter such Rules and Regulations in the Deed of Settlement as may be necessary for that purpose) be now confirmed.

Mr. JNO. MORRIS seconded the resolution, which was then put to the vote and carried unanimously.

The usual vote of thanks to the CHAIRMAN closed the proceedings.—*Courier.*

SHIPWRECKS ON THE KOREAN COAST.

Minister Foote reports the following regulations which have been sanctioned by the Government of Korea:—

1.—Whenever a vessel is in distress off the Korean coast she should hoist a white flag during the daytime and two lanterns at night. Persons seeing such signals are directed to report the same at once to the chief man of the nearest village, who will call the people together and endeavour to aid the distressed vessel; he will also at once dispatch a messenger to the Governor of the district, who is directed to repair in person to the place, with his police force, that he may render all possible assistance. It is proper that all necessary expenses incurred in saving life or property should be borne by the vessel, but in no instance should the official ask for or demand the same.

2.—The Governor of a district who shall have been instrumental in saving the lives of ten men, and property of the value of one million cash (1,000,000) or more, shall be entitled to a reward whenever the fact is made known to the foreign office through the Governor of the province, or whenever a foreign Consul shall report the same to the Korean Commissioner of Customs, and the chief man of a village or any individual who particularly exerts himself in saving life and property, shall be rewarded; but if a Korean official or any individual disregard this decree, and act with indifference in such cases, he shall be severely punished. The man who first discovers and reports a vessel in distress shall be entitled to a reward of three thousand cash, if the vessel is of large size, and one thousand cash if she is of small size.

3.—Persons must not attempt to go on board of a vessel in distress without the permission of the Captain or commanding officer, and whatever is done must be done in compliance with his will. If any person attempts to remission, this fact must be reported to the Korean officials.

4.—The Governor of the district where a vessel may be wrecked should at once notify the Consul of the country to which the vessel belongs, and with his assistance should carefully take an account of the property saved and estimates its value, reserving one-third thereof to be sold for the payment of expenses and rewards. In case no lives are saved, and only property, the Governor will carefully consult with the foreign Consul in relation to it, and if it so happens that lives are saved and no property, the Governor will provide the necessary food and clothing and escort them to

the nearest Consul of the country to which they belong, who will refund to him the expenses incurred. If, however, the country to which they belong has no consular officer in Korea, the Governor will, in addition, supply such shipwrecked persons with money to return to their own country, and report the same to the Korean foreign office. In case the vessel cannot pay the necessary expenses and rewards for saving life and property, the Governor will make the payments and report the amount to the Korean Commissioner of Customs, who will refund the same.

5.—The Governors and officials of the coast provinces are enjoined to make this proclamation known to their people, that they may understand that they will be rewarded if they render assistance to vessels in distress, and that they will be punished if they do not.

TIENTSIN.

24th January.

Our social season may be now considered at its height, or perhaps a little past it. The winter amusements have been crowding us for the last two weeks. The official skating rink is in splendid order and is an unfailing resource for the beauty and muscle of the settlement to disport and display themselves. Great matches at bowls and billiards keep the robust males in healthy excitement up to the small hours. Milder entertainments of Penny Readings at the Temperance Hall and Concerts at the Club draw different sections of the community, and the A.D.C. *supplice*—still another variety, indeed,—crowns the edifice.

One of the most exclusive gatherings all the world over is a Masonic Ball, and in issuing their invitations the Masons here were obliged to pass over the names of estimable but unclassed people. One of these vowed revenge, which he thus executed. On the night of th ball he inveigled the bandmasters of the only two bands, the Viceroy's and the *Nautilus's* to dinner, where he plied them with copious but inexpensive liquors; and when he could no longer detain them by the charms of his conversation or the fascination of a pack of greasy cards, he deliberately locked them up. Great consternation among the Masons when towards midnight their lovely guests languished in the silent halls, and there was a cry raised for music! The cause of its absence was soon discovered, but the hardened sinner refused for hours to let the people go. It was the Viceroy's band that had been engaged, but Captain Aschenborn, seeing the plight, sent promptly to the *Nautilus* for the German band. The men had been in bed two hours, but they came with alacrity. Soon after them appeared wildly and with the aspect of an escaped——(?) the liberated leader of the Viceroy's band, with his men half-frozen. They made up time like an express train that has been accidentally delayed. The perpetrator of the outrage, strange to say, still lives.

The two gunboats add much to the enjoyment of the winter. The general community has comparatively little direct intercourse with the Russian, owing to the language difficulty, but there is a considerable Russian civil community in Tientsin, most genial and hospitable, through whose good offices the naval officers and the general residents are brought together. The Russians retain the old style, so that their presence here gives us practically two Christmasses and two New Years. Captain Aschenborn and the officers of the *Nautilus* have contributed greatly to our enjoyment this winter; and no set of men were ever so popular here as these stalwart Teutons with their frequent birthdays. The band is quite wonderful for a small vessel. The way these Germans work is a caution—not now, of course, for the vessels are housed in with mats, and drill is much reduced; but in the open season they are at it all day, rolling the big guns about, exercising in the tops, hoisting ambulance chairs up and down the rigging, and so forth. Men so thoroughly trained as these are in all the modern movements will be awkward customers to meet in hostile encounter.

There is still a good deal of water, *i.e.*, ice, on the plain, and our old hare-hunting sports have not been resumed this winter. Neither have any shooting parties gone to Mongolia, as the unsettled state of political matter rendered it hazardous to leave.

Apprehensions of scarce money have as usual resulted in a superabundance, and exchange on Shanghai is unusually low.

The weather is perfection, bright and clear and no wind. During the day it is quite warm.—*N. C. Daily News* Correspondent.

YOKOHAMA.

The fifteen steamships ordered from England by the Union Navigation Company have all reached Japan, but the company, finding their present fleet still inadequate for their transport business, have now ordered three more steamers from Glasgow, to be named the *Sanyodo Maru*, *Hokkaido Maru*, and *Saniudo Maru*.

Fire broke out about seven o'clock p.m. on the 2nd inst., at No. 160, occupied by a Chinaman named Ah Kin. The flames originated in an apartment tenanted by a seaman named Ah Hoi, who was absent at the time, and were first seen by a Chinaman named Ah Chim, who attempted to enter the room, but was unable to do so in consequence of the smoke. In a few minutes the whole house was in a blaze, and in spite of the efforts of the firemen the building was entirely destroyed by eight o'clock, two adjoining houses being also partially burned. Three steam fire engines, the "Relief" and "Victoria" and the Japanese police engine, were on the ground, as also were a large number of manual engines.

The following letter has been addressed by His Excellency Admiral Count Kawamura, Minister of Marine, to Lieutenant A. G. S. Hawes, who left on the 31st ult., for Europe to take up his appointment as H.B.M.'s Consul at Nayassa:—

SIR,—It gives me great satisfaction to learn that you have been promoted by the Government of your country to the post of Consul at Nayassa in Africa. Since January, 1871, whether in the capacity of instructor of artillery and small arm exercises; or in arranging the details of organization on board the *Riujo Kan*, in the early days of the Japanese Navy; or, again, as Professor at the Naval College, your zeal and assiduity left nothing to be desired; while the information you constantly supplied, at the same time, in reply to questions having reference to the rules and regulations of Her Britannic Majesty's Navy, was of the greatest assistance to our investigations. In short, throughout the fourteen years during which you were attached to the Japanese Admiralty, the diligence you manifested, and the large results it achieved, command my sincere admiration. Now that you are about to return to your country, I desire to convey to you my thanks, and, while congratulating you on your promotion, to express the regret I feel that this Department will no longer be able to avail itself of your services.—I have, &c.,

KAWAMURA,
Vice-Admiral, and Minister of Marine, Count, &c.

We learn that this letter was accompanied by a handsome present, and, further, that it is in contemplation to promote Lieutenant Hawes to the Third Class Order of the Rising Sun, the Fourth Class of which he already holds. It is pleasant to find that the services of an officer whose career in Japan has done himself and the corps to which he originally belonged so much credit, are fully recognised by the Government of this country. Lieutenant Hawes may be said to have assisted at the birth of the Japanese Navy. He was preceded, it is true, by the naval mission under Captain Tracey, which arrived in Yedo before the Restoration. Lieutenant Hawes leaves behind him a host of friends by whom his career will be followed with much interest. He has displayed abilities as an organizer and a traveller, which indicate special aptitude for the post to which he has been appointed; and although we can scarcely hope that Central Africa will offer a very appropriate field for display of the conviviality and good fellowship which endeared him to the residents of Tokiyo, it is more than likely that his genial disposition and helpful ways will not be the least valuable qualities he brings to the discharge of his new duties.—*Japan Mail.*

TOKIO.

The Nakasendo railway now under construction has reached Yasunaka from the side of Takasaki and a station is being built at that place.

Mr. Kadoda Shinpei, a lawyer practicing in Tokio, has been prohibited from delivering public speeches on political matters at any place under the jurisdiction of the Tokio fu.

The new building of the Suikosha, a naval club, newly completed at the Shiba park, was opened by His Imperial Highness Prince Arisugawa Takehito, president of the club, on the 2nd inst.

The public works department has invested more than two million yen in machinery, &c., for working the Ani mine on an extensive scale; but as the results have proved unprofitable so far, the government desire to part with the mine and are offering it for sale.

Mr. Sudzuki Masawo, editor of the *Jiyu Shimbun*, has been fined ten yen at the Tokio correctional court, for having failed to produce the original copy of a certain injurious note published in the paper some time ago in connection with the arrest of the members of the former Jiyu-to.

Mr. Mishima, superintendent of the engineering bureau, is about to leave Tokio for Kioto and provinces in Shikoku on an inspection tour. His mission in Kioto is believed to have some connection with the proposed scheme of cutting a ship canal from the Biwako through Kioto.

The commander of the colonial troops in the Hokkaido and two of his subordinate officers have arrived in Tokio. The object of the commander is to lay before the Government the fact that in the vicinity of the boundaries with the Russian dominions, there are roving vagabonds causing so much trouble that the troops should be increased to keep them under control.

Korean residents in Tokio have forwarded a petition to the foreign department in connection with their necessitous circumstances. It is stated that the Korean Government have stopped the allowance of money since the recent disturbances, and they have so far managed to provide their wants out of a sum of money brought by Kin Kakun, a Korean official, to this country for the purpose of purchasing some machinery for his government. They are said to desire to go to the United States, for they are not inclined to risk their lives in returning to Korea.—*Gazette.*

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

THURSDAY, 12th February.
OPIUM.

Quotations are:—
Malwa (New)...$540 per picul, alloc. of 1 to 1½ [catties.
Malwa (Old) ...$550 per picul, alloc. of 1 to 1½ [catties
Patna (New) ....$620 per chest.
Patna (Old) .... 615 to 620 " "
Benares (New) .... 607½ to 610 " "
Benares (Old) .... 607½ " "

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—
Bank Bills, on demand..............3/6
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight........3/6¼
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/6½
Credits, at 4 months' sight..........3/6½
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/6½
ON PARIS.—
Bank Bills, on demand 4.45
Credits, at 4 months' sight 4.51
ON BOMBAY.—Bank, 3 days' sight...220¼
ON CALCUTTA.—Bank, 3 days' sight...220¼
ON SHANGHAI.—
Bank, sight...............................72¾
Private, 30 days' sight 73¼

SHARES.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares—128 per cent. premium.
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited—$440 per share, ex div.
China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares—$63 per share.
North China Insurance—Tls. 285 per share.
Yangtsze Insurance Association—Tls. 132 per share.
Chinese Insurance Company, Limited—$175 per share, ex div.
On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 148 per share.
Canton Insurance Office, Limited—$82½ per share, ex div.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares—$362½ per share.
China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—$70 per share.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's Shares—56 per cent. prem. Sellers.
Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Shares—$32 per share premium.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s Shares—30 per cent. discount.
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited—30 per cent. discount.
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited—Par, nominal.
Hongkong Gas Company's Shares—$100 per share.
Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares—$120 per share.
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—110 per share.
China Sugar Refining Company (Debentures)—nominal.
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$60 per share.
Hongkong Ice Company's Shares—$145 per share, Buyers.
Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—$118 per share.
Perak Tin Mining and Smelting Company—$30 per share.
Selangor Tin Mining Company—$13 per share.
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company—Tls. 35 per share.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—$68 per share, Buyers.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1881—¼ per cent. dis.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(FROM MESSRS. FALCONER & CO.'S REGISTER.)
February 12th

Thermometer—9 A.M.	55
Thermometer—1 P.M.	57
Thermometer—4 P.M.	57
Thermometer—9 A.M. (Wet bulb)	53
Thermometer—1 P.M. (Wet bulb)	53
Thermometer—4 P.M. (Wet bulb)	54
Thermometer—Maximum	58
Thermometer—Minimum (over night)	55

HONGKONG TIDE-TABLE.

13TH TO 19TH February, 1885.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	High Water. Hongkong Mean Time. h. m.	High Water. Height. ft. in.	Low Water. Hongkong Mean Time. h. m.	Low Water. Height. ft. in.
F.	13	m 9 31	2 2	m 2 41	—0 10
		9 6 a	4 10	1 37 a	1 5
Sat.	14	m 9 53	2 4	m 3 5	—1 0
		8 39 a	4 11	2 16 a	1 0
S.	15	m 10 11	2 6	m 3 31	—1 2
		9 14 a	4 11	2 59 a	0 8
M.	16	m 10 34	3 10	m 4 4	—1 2
		9 51 a	4 10	3 40 a	—0 6
Tu.	17	m 10 58	3 0	m 4 39	—1 0
		10 28 a	4 8	4 21 a	0 4
W.	18	m 11 23	3 3	m 5 7	—0 9
		11 4 a	4 1	5 4 a	0 9
Th.	19	m 11 50	3 5	m 5 37	—0 6
		11 39 a	3 6	6 10 a	0 1

The height of mean-sea-level has been determined at 7.635 feet above zero of the tide-gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard; and the Low-water Ordinary Spring-Tides, to which datum the heights in these Tables are referred, as 5.595 feet above zero.

The heights in the Tables marked with a minus (—) sign are below Low-Water Ordinary Spring-Tides, and should be subtracted from the constants given above.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

11th February, 1885, at 4 P.M.

STATION.	Barometer red. to sea level and 32° Fahr.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.	Rain last 24 hours.
Manila	29.89	63.8	58	WNW	2	c	—
Haiphong	30.00	64.4	93	E	1	o	—
Hongkong	30.01	67.2	63	E	5	o	—
Amoy	30.07	64.0	87	NE	1	of	—
Shanghai	30.32	39.0	64	NNW	4	o	—
Nagasaki	30.16	45.6	49	NNW	4	c	—
Wladiwostock	30.27	-6.2	—	W	3	b	—

12th February, 1885, at 10 A.M.

STATION.	Barometer red. to sea level and 32° Fahr.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.	Rain last 24 hours.
Manila	30.01	79.0	81	W	1	c	—
Haiphong	30.16	61.7	100	SE	1	pf	0.04
Hongkong	30.19	55.0	86	ENE	7	o	0.03
Amoy	30.19	61.0	79	NE	4	o	—
Shanghai	30.44	37.0	81	NE	2	c	—
Nagasaki	30.34	41.6	74	W	3	c	—
Wladiwostock	30.36	4.8	—	NE	4	b	—

☞ The Barometer has risen in the North. Gradients indicate fresh or strong winds.

W. DOBERCK.
Hongkong Observatory, 12th February, 1885.

METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

	Previous day. at 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.01	30.19	30.12
Temperature	57.2	55.0	57.2
Humidity	88	83	76
Direction of wind	E.	E.N.E.	E.
Force of wind	5	7	4
Weather	o.	c.	o.
Rain	—	0.03	—

W. DOBERCK.
Hongkong Observatory, 12th February, 1885.

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	CAPTAIN.	AT	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
HAVRE AND HAMBURG	Ino	Hockelman	Hongkong	Carlowitz & Co.	Quick despatch.
LONDON & HAMBURG	Pax	Gille	Hongkong	Carlowitz & Co.	Quick despatch.
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LONDON, &c., VIA SUEZ CANAL	Hydaspes (str.)	Scrivener	....	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 17th inst., at 4 P.M.
LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL	Glenlyon (str.)	Mackinlay	....	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	On or about 17th inst.
LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL	Diomed (str.)	Guthrie	Hongkong	Butterfield & Swire	On 17th inst.
MARSEILLES VIA SAIGON &c.	Oxus (str.)	Rapatel	....	Messageries Maritimes	On 24th inst., at Noon.
NEW YORK	H. C. Sibley	Fowler	Hongkong	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Quick despatch.
NEW YORK	Crescent	Ruland	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
SAN FRANCISCO	Commodore	Blanchard	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
SAN FRANCISCO	Western Monarch	Erichsen	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA Y'HAMA	City of Peking (str.)	....	....	P. M. S. S. Co.	On 21st inst., at 3 P.M.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA Y'HAMA	San Pablo (str.)	....	....	O. & O. S. S. Co.	On 3rd March, at 3 P.M.
PORT DARWIN, &c.	Taiwan (str.)	Arthur	Hongkong	Butterfield & Swire	On 21st inst., at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA, KOBE, &c.	Benlarig (str.)	....	Hongkong	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	To-day, at Noon.
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NAGASAKI	Madras (str.)	H. Plenge	Hongkong	Siemssen & Co.	To-morrow, at 3 P.M.
CALCUTTA VIA STRAITS	Wingsang (str.)	De St. Croix	Hongkong	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	On 18th inst., at 3 P.M.
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MANILA	Diamante (str.)	Stack	Hongkong	Russell & Co.	To-day, at 5 P.M.
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THE AMERICAN MAILS.

The O. and O. steamer *San Pablo*, with mails, &c., to the 19th December, left Yokohama on the 7th, and may be looked for here on or about the 14th instant.

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The above Regulation is not new, but has been the invariable rule of the Post Office for many years. Considerable efforts have been made to secure its being generally understood. To prevent, however, if possible, any further disappointment in the matter, it will appear permanently on the Mail Lists issued twice every day from the *Daily Press* Office.

The Postal Guide for 1885, revised to date will be found in the *Daily Press* Directory, p. 393 large edition, p. 657 small edition. This is the only authorized complete Summary of Postal information published in Hongkong.

☞ The authorised List of Mails issued in connection with this paper is the one published twice each day in our Extra, which is always corrected to a much later hour than that given below.

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For Saigon.—Per *Welcombe*, to-day, the 13th inst., at 11.30 A.M.

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For Manila.—Per *Diamante*, to-day, the 13th inst., at 4.30 P.M.

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MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

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3.00 P.M.—Mails closed, except for Late Letters.
3.10 P.M.—Letters may be posted with late fee of 10 cents until
3.30 P.M.—when the Post Office closes entirely.
3.40 P.M.—Late Letters may be posted on board the packet with late fee of 10 cents, until time of departure.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

Day before Departure.

5 P.M. Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes, except the night box, which is always open out of office hours.

Day of Departure.

7 A.M., Post Office opens.
10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases.
11 A.M., Mail closes, except for Late Letters.
11.10 A.M., Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 10 cents until
11.30 A.M., when the Post Office closes entirely.
11.40 A.M., Late Letters may be posted on board the packet with Late Fee of 10 Cents until time of departure.

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Registration	10 Cents
Do. with return receipt	15 Cents

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1.—Postal Notes of the values named below, payable within three months at any Post Office in the United Kingdom, at Gibraltar, or at Constantinople, can be obtained at Hongkong or at any British Post Office in China (except Hoihow and Tientsin) at the following prices, which include Commission:—

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1/6	45 "
5/—	$1.50.
10/—	$2.95.
20/—	$5.80.

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3.—Postal Notes should always be forwarded in Registered Covers. If this precaution is not taken NO ENQUIRIES WHATEVER will be made as to the loss or alleged loss of any Note. No refund can be made in any case.

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(4.) The letters must not exceed half an ounce No handkerchiefs, jewellery, &c., can be sent even with the ends open.

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(6). Soldiers and Sailors have no privileges with regard to books or papers, nor can these be prepaid with Imperial Stamps.

* But not Warrant Officers, viz:—Conductor, Gunner Boatswain, or Carpenter.

EXTRACTS.

"THE GOLDEN VANITEE."

A correspondent of the *Daily News* seems to be in possession of a very old version of this popular sea-song. It differs from others that we have seen in several particulars which show a more ancient origin. One version well known at the present day we print below. It is far more brief than the ballad of which we give the tune elsewhere, and the air (we may print it on another occasion) is more lively:—

There was a gallant ship, and a gallant ship was she,
Hic iddle dee! for the Lowlands low!
And she went by the name o' the *Golden Vanitee*, (gowden?)
As she sailed for the Lowlands low!
And she hadna sailed a league, a league or barely three,
Hic iddle dee! for the Lowlands low!
When she fell in with a French gallee
As she sailed for the Lowlands low!
Then up spake the cabin-boy, and up spake he:
"What'll ye gi'e me, an' I sink the French gallee?"
Then up spake the captain, and up spake he:
"I'll gi'e ye an estate in the north countree."
"Then sew me up tight in a black bull's skin,
And throw me overboard, sink or swim!"
So they sewed him up tight in a black bull's skin,
And they threw him overboard, sink or swim.
And awa' and awa' and awa' swam he,
Till he came up to the French gallee.
And some were playing cards, and some were playing dice;
But he took out his gimlet and bored sixty holes and thrice!
And some they ran with cloaks and some they ran with caps,
But they couldna run awa' from the salt water draps!
Then awa' and awa' and awa' swam he,
Till he came back to the *Golden Vanitee*.
"Now throw me o'er a rope, and pu' me up aboard,
And prove unto me as gude as your word!"
"I'll nae throw yoo'er a rope! I'll nae pu' ye up aboard!
I'll nae prove unto ye as gude as my word!"
"An ye nae throw me o'er a rope, an ye nae pu' me up aboard,
I'll just sink ye as I sank the French gallee!"
So they throwed him o'er a rope, and they pulled him up aboard,
Hic iddle dee, for the Lowlands low!
And they proved unto him as gude as their word
As they sailed for the Lowlands low!
—*St. James's Gazette.*

QUEER STORIES.

MISS MADISON'S MATCH.

Madge Madison was good-looking. She was neither too tall nor too short, too plump nor too skinny. She had a clear complexion, regular features, and a pair of wonderfully attractive liquid grey eyes. She had also an undeniable knack of so manipulating her sometimes rather shabby clothes that the beholder ceased to remark their shabbiness in the distinction of the wearer. Not that she liked shabby clothes—she loathed them with a fervour few people credited her with, but she was essentially a self-contained person, and endured the minor ills of life with graceful fortitude. The Madisons had never had any money to speak of, and just now things had come to a crisis with them.

"What on earth's to be done with all you girls?" Colonel Madison had asked, helplessly, of his four motherless daughters that morning at breakfast.

It was the Christmas holidays, and the three younger ones had, of course, turned up with the Christmas bills, equally importunate and inopportune to their impecunious father. Three more mouths to be filled, three fine, tall, growing girls to be clad in *something*, and the school-bills going on merrily all the time. No wonder the wretched Colonel groaned over his quiver-full.

"We must marry," said Lillian the beauty.

"We must work," said Ethel, who took life seriously, and had "views."

"Thank goodness, I'm too young for anything heroic to be expected of me," said Barbara, the baby, pouting.

"Has anything particular happened?" asked Madge.

"The bank has gone, and with it all I had, except my pension," said the unfortunate Colonel, sighing deeply. "When I die you will all of you be paupers, so it will be better for you to set about doing something for yourselves before the bad day comes. For your sakes, children, I shall take every imaginable care of myself; but, alas! the best of us is but mortal." The affecting thought was too much for the unlucky parent. He lapsed into a melancholy taciturnity for the remainder of the meal.

At its conclusion, Madge, who had been thinking matters over, said:—"Father, you are right about our doing something for ourselves. I can't be a governess. I don't know enough; but old Lady Dumbledon wants a company-keeper. I'll ask her to take me. I shall be earning sixty pounds a year, and at the same time be relieving you of one of your incumbrances."

"You're a good girl, Madge. I am sorry to sacrifice you, I am sure; but I don't see any help for it."

Miss Madison was a girl of action. She speedily had all the preliminaries settled with Lady Dumbledon, whose service she was to enter towards the end of January. But before taking up her new duties she permitted herself the relaxation of a visit to a school-friend, now well married and living in Kensington.

She returned from this outing somewhat pensive, and in reply to the affectionate badinage of her sisters, suffered it to be elicited that she had met a man at her friend's house, whom in more fortunate circumstances she could have cared a good deal for. Unhappily if, as she owned that she suspected, the favourable impression had been mutual, there could be no results from it. Her too brief visit had come to an end; and she and her delightful fellow guest had separated after their three days' chance acquaintanceship, in all human probability never to meet again. Such is life and—luck!

She had, however, miscalculated the power of her own attractions. On the eve of starting for Lady Dumbledon's she received a singular letter from the man whose good fortune it had been to so strongly recommend himself to her.

"He had been irresistibly drawn to her," he said, "in the few days that they had been thrown together, but he had then been too poor a man to let the dictates of his heart find utterance. He had let her go in silence, and had suffered much in so doing. Now things were changed with him. He had most unexpectedly come into a property of £10,000 a year by the sudden death of a relative, and hastened to offer himself and his newly-acquired fortune for her acceptance. Circumstances connected with his accession to fortune necessitated his immediately starting for Australia, and would keep him out of England for a year. Would she forgive his precipitate wooing out of charity for the violence of his passion for her, and promise to become his wife as soon as he returned home?"

This, denuded of many passionate expressions of regard, was the substance of the letter.

Miss Madison carried it to her father.

"What shall you do, child?" he asked, anxiously.

"I will take your advice, but I am inclined to accept Mr. Smith-White's offer," she added, casting down her eyes and growing a little pale.

"You were always a most sensible girl, Madge, and to be trusted about your own affairs. Accept him by all means, if you feel you can."

"Down on your knees, and thank heaven, fasting, for a rich man's love," quoted Lillian, the beauty, on the matter being explained to her, in the absolute need of her usually self-reliant sister for a *confidante*.

Thus encouraged by her family, Miss Madison accepted her fate. In return for her complaisance she received a rapturous (registered) letter of thanks enclosing a magnificent diamond betrothal ring. Mr. Smith-White passionately deplored his hard luck in being obliged to embark without snatching one brief interview with his betrothed, but his ship was sailing that night, and he had no time to come down to Norwood.

Miss Madison's circumstances having undergone this startling change, the position of humble companion, even to a lady of title, appeared inappropriate to her. The Dowager Lady Dumbledon, being apprised of recent events, graciously released her from her engagement, and, furthermore, invited her to spend a few days on a friendly visit. Being a kind old lady, with romantic proclivities, the Dowager even gave the bride-elect many pretty little presents, out of sheer benevolence towards a girl about to do so well for herself. It was Madge's first realisation of the great truth, that to those who have (or are going to have) much, shall be given.

The months flew by. Each mail brought long, loving letters from the enamoured Smith-White, who counted the days when his hateful business should be accomplished, and he should be at last able to return and claim his bride. He began to give delicate and practical hints about the trousseau necessary to be got together, which he wished should befit the position which his dearest Madge would occupy as his honoured and cherished wife. Let no scruples, he begged, on the score of economy restrain her in her preparations. The paying of the bills could be a matter for future consideration between himself and Colonel Madison. He particularly desired that his wife should come to him handsomely equipped for the round of country-house visits he meant to take her immediately after the first few weeks of the honeymoon were over. Miss Madison, upon this, went to the best people, and ere long had ordered a trousseau of modest and *recherché* magnificence. The letters of her lover became more and more ardent. He begged that the marriage might take place at Easter, when he calculated he would have just reached England. Let not false delicacy, he implored his dearest Madge, prevent her acceding to his wishes on this point.

Miss Madison had no false delicacy, and the point was conceded. Expectation in the bosom of the little circle at Norwood rose high; for Mr. Smith-White was on his way home *viâ* India, whither his miserable affairs dragged him. In a few weeks a letter came announcing that he had reached Paris, where he was just stopping *en passant* to buy a few pretty trifles for his bride. Then came a break of three days in the correspondence, followed by a letter from an English friend of Mr. White's who had met him at his hotel, telling of his sudden illness, brought on by over-travelling and over-excitement. After this came a short telegram announcing his death.

Terrible, terrible downfall of high hopes! Was ever any girl so much to be pitied? Madge Madison turned white to her very lips with the shock of the news. She walked blindly out of the room, up the shabby stairs, and, locking herself alone in her bedroom, sat down to face the awful collapse of her bright expectations.

The next day brought some amelioration of the situation to Colonel Madison, though his poor daughter could hardly be expected as yet to take comfort in it. The same friend wrote to say that his unfortunate fellow-countryman's last act had been to sign a hurriedly-prepared will, leaving everything he possessed to his betrothed wife. He had expressed a wish that the whole Madison family should provide themselves with proper mourning, and be present at his funeral, which was to take place at Kensal-green the following Thursday. The writer stated that he was making all necessary arrangements, and should start for London with the remains that night.

The widowed bride-elect seemed stunned by the extent of her misfortune in losing thus cruelly the best and most generous of men. Her pitying sisters procured her mourning, and their own, from the same celebrated artists who had executed the wedding-order. The fabrics were of the richest. Severe and elegant simplicity in woe is expensive; but what of that? Was this a time to haggle over the price of needful garments to do honour to the memory of a noble-hearted benefactor?

Thursday morning saw the whole family arrayed in their sables ready to set out on their mournful journey. A coach from the nearest jobmaster's, the driver being in decent black, so as to be in harmony with the melancholy occasion, pulled up at the door. The four black-robed young figures, with Colonel Madison, took their places in it, Barbara sitting bodkin—her eyes bright with excitement—for even a funeral was something to her, as she had but few distractions. They arrived punctual to the minute at the cemetery, and waited for the funeral *cortège* to appear. Time went on, but it did not come. One hour, two hours, passed in anxious expectation, and still the funeral lagged strangely on the road. Colonel Madison interviewed the officials. No notice of Mr. Smith-White's intended interment had been given. Other groups of black-robed figures came weeping, buried their dead, and went away, and still the Colonel and his daughters lingered, unwilling to be accused hereafter of any lack of respect. A cold, cutting north-easter whirled mockingly amongst the head-stones, seeming to deride and insult the mourners with its bitter cheerlessness. At length it became apparent to every one that some inexcusable mistake had been made, and the uselessness of further waiting was obvious. Colonel Madison slowly withdrew his little cohort from the field, anathematizing the wind, the officious friend of the deceased, and every available subject for displeasure.

He went that evening to Kensington to see the lady at whose house his daughter had first met her betrothed, but only to find to his dismay that the house was to let, and that no trace of Mrs. Bigley was to be found. Nothing, therefore, was to be ascertained from that quarter. He was at a loss to know where else to apply for information, and so waited patiently with the hope that the post would bring him some explanation.

But no such explanation came. Puzzled and furious, the Colonel telegraphed to the hotel in Paris for particulars of Mr. Smith-White's death, and the subsequent disposal of his remains. An answer came back that no such person, nor any one answering to the description, had visited the hotel, and the proprietor indignantly denied that any one had died suddenly under his roof. It then began to draw upon the unfortunate family that they had been made the victims of an infamous and cruel hoax.

The Dowager Lady Dumbledon, filled with pity for the poor girl thus heartlessly made a fool of, carried her off to Brighton, charitably trusting that change of scene might assuage the acuteness of those agonies of shame and mortification that the deceived young creature must be experiencing.

The little circle wherein the Madisons moved and had their being was shaken to its foundations with indignation at the heartless cruelty of which poor Madge had been the victim. The tale of her woes leaked out in Brighton, and awoke a perfect furore of sympathy. Her behaviour was pronounced as perfect—she was so quiet, so dignified, so patient under her unmerited sufferings.

Lady Dumbledon became quite proud of her young friend, who was undoubtedly the success of the moment, and received the greatest possible attention. After a few weeks, it was semi-officially given out that Sir Reginald Dacre, a young man of family and fortune, and irreproachable character, had successfully sought Miss Madison's hand, though no formal engagement was to be entered into for the present, so that the poor girl might have time to recover her shattered feelings.

Meanwhile, Colonel Madison was receiving a great deal of sympathy, too. He became a feature at his club, and enjoyed a notoriety he could well have dispensed with, as the father of the young lady who had met with so extraordinary and unpleasant an adventure. Every one offered him advice in the matter.

"Hang it, Colonel, the blackguard ought to be discovered and made to pay for it," cried one of his old friends, energetically. "Set a detective on his track, man."

The Colonel considered his friend's advice, and, after considerable hesitation concluded to act on it. He therefore went to Scotland-yard, and, on the suggestion of an experienced officer, he decided to take the gorgeous betrothal ring to the jeweller's whose name was in the case, in order, if possible, to ascertain something about the purchase. Here a shock awaited him. The ring had been ordered by a lady, with instructions that it should be placed to Colonel Madison's account.

"Good heavens! Roder," he stuttered. "You dared to put a ring like that to my account without any authority of mine! Could not you see that it was a vile, infamous, disgraceful hoax?"

Mr. Roder stood high in his calling. He was sorry for the Colonel, and so at once took back the ring, expressing his regret that he should have fallen into the error complained of; but as soon as Colonel Madison had left his shop, he went down to Scotland-yard and there made a certain communication which he had refrained from volunteering to his agitated customer.

A few days after this Sir Reginald Dacre's younger brother ran down from London and walked into his rooms.

"Look here, Regy. You say you are going to marry Miss Madison," he said slowly. "Well, take my advice and—don't."

Sir Reginald's cheerful face paled.

"What do you mean?" he asked, in a passion.

"I mean that she is too clever for poor stupid fellows like you and me. That hoax was all a plant, got up by herself from beginning to end. The man never existed. He was a myth. She took in her own people, she took in old Dumbledon, and she all but took in Scotland-yard, into whose hands poor old Madison at last put the affair. The only person, fortunately for you, that she did not take in was old Roder."—*Truth.*

A WONDERFUL GROTTO.

A correspondent in Cagliari writes to the *Avvenire di Sardegna* the following description of the stalactite grotto discovered not long ago at Dorgali, in Sardinia, which is approached by a difficult and tortuous path leading down into a gloomy ravine on the mountainous coast:—"The grotto commences by an ample space, the vault of which is supported on columns. On the rocky ground may be seen the print of a human foot. From this place you enter a vast hall of such magnificence that it extorts an exclamation of wonder. Sixteen columns with vari-coloured capitals rise from the marble floor and sustain a pure white roof, from which depend the figures of birds, guns, serpents, baskets of fruit, and a thousand other tricks of nature. But the most striking object is an altar ornamented with enormous baskets of coloured flowers, and on which are large candelabra and a shrine so exactly imitated that you are tempted to try to open it in order to see the chalice within. From the roof above hang festoons of flowers, which reach down almost to the altar as if attempting to conceal it. The most wonderful thing in the hall was, however, the petrified skeleton of a majestic stag, which was partly destroyed by visitors, and the spine of which had been sent entire to a professor of natural history in Cagliari. The grotto contains six other large chambers, decorated with arabesques in stalactic, and full of pillars, human figures, opaque mirrors, and other wonderful imitations of objects of art and nature."

A PERFECT FEMALE FIGURE.

"Define a good figure?" said Mr. Kellogg, the well-known Detroit sculptor. "Well, a good figure is a rarity. There are so many girls who come to me to pose as models and so very few who are of the least use. Their knees are crooked and their arms bent and their waists pinched in—there is always something wrong. See that head and trunk? That is Proserpine. She is shrinking away from Pluto, who is about to carry her away to the infernal regions to be his wife. Now, do you know that it took sittings of five models to make that one piece. Now, you can imagine how hard it is to find a really good figure. I did see a good figure once. She was almost perfect. You know the Venus de Medici is supposed to be the perfection of form. Well, this girl's figure was almost identical with hers. Had I wished to make a full-sized statue, I would not have changed her one iota. She was a very wealthy girl and very indolent. Sitting always in her rooms in negligé costume and taking so little exercise, she grew to be the very perfection of grace. Every pose was a study and every move beautiful. And do you know that girl laced—terribly so? She compressed her waist, I think, seven inches smaller than it naturally was. But then she wore corsets for only about two or three hours each week, she went out so little. She was a very attractive girl, but not very pretty—very good figures seldom are. I will give you her dimensions. She was five feet four and a half inches high. Then she measured thirty-one inches about the bust, twenty-six and a half inches about the waist, thirty-five inches over the hips, nine inches from the armpit to the waist, eleven and a half inches around the ball of the arm, nine and a fourth inches around the elbow, and six and a half inches around the wrist. You see, she tapered four and a half inches from the bust to waist; that is right. Small waists and large hips looks horrible to an artist. Then her hands and feet were good and large. An artist always looks for large extremities. The feet of this girl were $9\frac{3}{4}$ inches long. What an immense hoof, do you say? Well, not so very large. I think it was a No. 4 shoe she took. Now, here is a cut of a foot not so large, you will say. Well, it measures $8\frac{3}{4}$ inches. The fingers of the hand, too, must be long and taper with a curve backward at the tips. Women have come to me so proud of their hands, such tiny hands, and yet perfect deformities, with every finger warped and crooked.

"I should have said, of course, that no figure can be good unless well rounded and free from angles. I must confess, though, that a fine, statuesque figure would not look well draped in the present fashion. Yes, I will give my idea of a fine figure in the present fashion: Bust measure, 32 inches; waist, 24; 9 inches from armpit to waist; long arms and long neck. By 'neck' I mean from the collar-bone to the chin; and recollect this, I would far rather see the waist 25 inches than 23. This figure shall be 5 feet $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches in height. I once saw a figure I admired a good deal that was 34 about the bust and 26 about the waist."—Detroit *Free Press*.

A person named Danger kept a public house on the Huntingdon Road, near Cambridge. On being compelled to quit the house, which was not his own, he built an inn on the opposite side of the road, and caused to be painted beneath the sign, "Danger from over the way." His successor in the old house retorted by inscribing over his door "There is no *Danger* here now."

HONGKONG MARKETS.

As Reported by Chinese on the 12th Feb., 1885.

COTTON GOODS.

American Drills, 30 yards, per piece	$2.95 to 3.10
American Drills, 15lbs., per piece	$3.90 to 3.95
Cotton Yarn, No. 16 to 24, per 400 lbs.	$85.00 to 87.50
Cotton Yarn, No. 28 to 32, per 400 lbs.	$95.50 to 97.50
Cotton Yarn, No. 38 to 42, per 400 lbs.	$106.50 to 109.00
Cotton Yarn, Bombay	$67.50 to 74.00
Chintz, per piece	70 to 1.75
Dyed Spotted Shirtings, per piece	$3.60 to 2.85
Dyed Brocades Shirtings, per piece	$3.55 to 3.70
English Drills, 30 yards, per piece	$2.55 to 2.65
English Drills, 14 lbs., per piece	$2.45 to 2.50
English Drills, 15 lbs., per piece	$2.85 to 2.90
Grey Shirtings, 7 lbs., per piece	$1.55 to 1.63
Grey Shirtings, 8 lbs., per piece	$1.77 to 1.85
Grey Shirtings, 8½ lbs., per piece	$1.95 to 2.23
Grey Shirtings, 9 lbs., per piece	$2.65 to 2.75
Grey Shirtings, 10 lbs., per piece	$2.97 to 3.09
GreyT-Cloths, 24yds. & 32in. 6lbs. p. pe.	$1.20 to 1.25
GreyT-Cloths, 24yds. & 32in. 7lbs. p. pe.	$1.35 to 1.70
GreyT-Cloths, 24yds 36in 8lbs. XO p. pe.	$1.80 to 1.85
GreyT-Cloths, 24yds 36in 8lbs. VV p. pe.	$2.30 to 2.35
GreyT-Cloths, 24yds 36in 8lbs. XX p. pe.	$2.45 to 2.50
Handkerchiefs, Blue, per dozen	$0.60 to 0.65
Handkerchiefs, Brown, per dozen	$0.55 to 0.62
Handkerchiefs, Red, per dozen	$0.63 to 0.65
Handkerchiefs, Light Red, per dozen	$0.66 to 0.78
Velvet Black, 32 inches, per yard	$0.18 to 0.19
Velvet, Gentian, 22 inches per yard	$0.21 to 0.23
Velveteens, Black, per yard	$0.21 to 0.23
Velveteens, Gentian per yard	$0.28 to 0.29
White Shirtings, 54 to [illegible] reed, per piece	$2.15 to 2.35
White Shirtings, 64 to 66 reed, per piece	$2.45 to 2.65
White Shirtings, 68 to 80 reed, per piece	$2.80 to 3.30
White Shirtings, 600 reed, per piece	$3.45 to 3.50
White Shirtings, 7,000 reed, per piece	$3.20 to 3.22
White Shirtings, AA, per piece	$1.65 to 1.70
White Shirtings, EF, per piece	$5.30 to 5.33
White Shirtings, MH, per piece	$3.90 to 3.95
White Spotted Shirtings, per piece	$2.35 to 2.50
White Brocades, per piece	$3.50 to 3.65

WOOLLEN GOODS

Blankets, 8 lbs., per pair	$3.45 to 3.55
Blankets, 9 lbs., per pair	$3.75 to 3.85
Blankets, 10 lbs., per pair	$4.25 to 4.45
Blankets, 12 lbs., per pair	$5.70 to 5.75
Camlets, SSS, per piece	$13.50 to 14.00
Camlets, SS, per piece	$13.50 to 14.00
Camlets, S, per piece	$14.50 to 15.00
Camlets, BBB, per piece	$16.50 to 17.00
Camlets, AAA, per piece	$16.50 to 17.00
Camlets, LLL, per piece	$13.50 to 14.00
Long Ells, MM Scarlet, per piece	$6.65 to 6.70
Long Ells, MM Assorted per piece	$6.65 to 6.70
Long Ells, HH Scarlet, per piece	$6.65 to 7.70
Long Ells, HH Assorted, per piece	$6.65 to 6.70
Long Ells, H Scarlet, per piece	$6.65 to 6.70
Long Ells, H Assorted, per piece	$6.70 to 6.75
Spanish Stripes, per yard	$0.72 to 0.73

METALS.

Iron, Nail Rod, per picul	$2.65 to 2.70
Iron, Hoop, per picul	$2.85 to 3.10
Iron, Bar, per picul	$3.30 to 3.35
Iron, Wire, per picul	$6.25 to 6.35
Lead, WB, per picul	$4.41 to 4.60
Lead, LB, per picul	$4.20 to 4.23
Lead, Hole Chop, per picul	$4.05 to 4.10
Quicksilver, English, per picul	$55.00 to 55.20
Quicksilver, American, per picul	$55.00 to 55.20
Steel, English, per tub	$3.65 to 3.75
Steel, Swedish, per tub	$4.15 to 4.25
Spelter, per picul	$5.60 to 5.65
Tin, Malacca, per picul	$33.40 to 34.50
Tin, Plates, per box	$4.90 to 4.95

PRODUCE.

Almonds, per picul	$22.00 to 2.50
Alum, 1st quality, per picul	$2.45 to .55
Alum, 2nd quality, per picul	$1.75 to 2.13
Bark, Camphor, per picul	$17.50 to 19.50
Beche de Mer, per picul	$30.00 to 55.00
Bees Wax, Japan, White, per picul	$17.20 to 17.50
Bees Wax, Hankow, Yellow, per picul	$44.00 to 40.60
Bees Wax, White, per picul	$73.50 to 73.90
Birds' Nests, 1st quality, per picul	$1,650 to 2,400
Birds' Nests, 2nd quality, per picul	$650 to 785
Birds' Nests, 3rd quality, per picul	$75.00 to 200
Brimstone, per picul	$2.55 to 2.60
Buffalo Cow Hides	$7.60 to 8.00

PRODUCE.

Camphor, cooked, per picul	$11.7[illegible] to 13.50
Camphor, Baroos, clean, per picul	$3,500 to 3,800
Camphor, Refuse, per picul	$1,900 to 1,950
Cardamons, Superior	$135 to 135
Cardamons, Inferior, per picul	$23.00 to 28.00
Cloves, per picul	$35.00 to 36.50
Coals, Afloat, per ton	— to —
Coals, English steam, per ton	$10.00 to 10.40
Coals, Sydney, per ton	$9.40 to —
Coffee, per picul	$22.30 to 24.50
Copper, Sheathing, Japan, per picul	$20.50 to 21.00
Copper, Rod, Japan, per picul	$23.70 to 24.00
Copper, Nails, per picul	$33.50 to 23.50
Cotton, Bombay, per picul	$15.50 to 16.30
Cotton, Calcutta, per picul	$17.60 to 17.80
Cotton, Ningpo, per picul	$18.20 to 18.60
Cotton, Shanghai, per picul	$16.80 to 17.00
Cotton, Shantung, per picul	$10.20 to 16.53
Cotton, Tientsin, per picul	$17.60 to 17.70
Cotton, Tungchow, per picul	$17.50 to 18.00
Cotton Seeds, Saigon	$4.20 to 4.30
Cotton Seeds, Siam	$4.10 to 4.20
Cuttlefish, Japan	$22.50 to 23.00
Cuttlefish, Japan, without bones, p. pl.	$15.50 to 16.50
Cuttlefish, Chanchow, per picul	$26.00 to 27.50
Dates, Black, per picul	Tls. 2.8.5 to 2.9.7
Dates, Red, per picul	Tls. 2.2.5 to 2.5.5
Dried Lily Flowers	$7.65 to 7.75
Elephant's Teeth, 4 to 5 pieces	$250 to 300
Elephant's Teeth, 7 to 8 pieces	$300 to 320
Flour, California, per sack of 50 lbs.	$1.70 to 1.85
Flour, American, per barrel of 100 lbs.	$3.20 to 3.30
Flour, American, per barrel of 200 lbs.	$6.2 to 6.45
Fungus	$29.00 to 30.00
Flints, per picul	$0.50 to 0.63
Ginseng, American, 1st quality, p. picul	$200 to 285
Ginseng, American, 2nd quality, p. picul	$160 to 210
Hams, Ordinary, per picul	Tls. 17.7.0 to 18.0.0
Hams, Superior, per picul	Tls. 29.5.0 to 31.0.0
Hemp, Hankow, per picul	$10.50 to 12.00
Hemp, Siam, per picul	$10.40 to 11.00
Isinglass, Japan, per picul	$33.00 to 37.00
Melon Seeds, 1st quality, per picul	$4.90 to 5.30
Melon Seeds, 2nd quality, per picul	$4.60 to 4.70
Mushrooms, per picul	$38.0 to 46.50
Mussels, Dry Siam large, per picul	$8.95 to 9.10
Mussels, Dry Siam middle, per picul	$7.25 to 7.45
Mussels, Dry Siam small, per picul	$6.15 to .35

Pea Oil, per picul	Tls. 6.4.0 to 6.5.0
Peas, White, per picul	$2.15 to 2.25
Peas, Green, per picul	$2.25 to 2.30
Peas, Black, per picul	$1.93 to 2.10
Peas, Yellow, per picul	$2.03 to 2.15
Peas, Green Beans, per picul	$2.15 to 2.20
Pearl Barley, per picul	$7.50 to 7.30
Potatoe Flour, per picul	Tls. 1.3.5 to 1.4.5
Rhinoceros Horn, per picul	$3,800 to 3,000
Rhinoceros Horn, Mother, per picul	$3,000 to 3,400
Rice, Siam, No. 1, per picul	$1.82 to 1.85
Rice, Siam, No. 2, per picul	$1.76 to 1.73
Rice, Siam, milled No. 1, per picul	$1.64 to 1.66
Rice, Siam, milled No. 2, per picul	$1.40 to 1.42
Rice, Saigon, No. 1, per picul	$1.87 to 1.90
Rice, Saigon, Hemp bags	$1.72 to 1.74
Rice, Saigon, Straw bags	$1.70 to 1.71
Rice, Japan	$2.10 to 2.63
Saltpetre, per picul	$5.35 to 5.45
Seaweed, Green, per picul	$1.95 to 2.10
Seaweed, Cut, per picul	$2.35 to 2.40
Sesamum, White, per picul	$4.95 to 5.10
Sesamum, Black, per picul	Tls. 2.4.5 to 2.5.0
Sharksfins, per picul	$35.00 to 60.00
Shellfish, Japan, per picul	$27.00 to 30.00
Shellfish, California, per picul	$11.50 to 12.00
Stockfish, per picul	$5.00 to 6.50
Straits Produce, &c.,—	
Betel Nut, per picul	$4.17 to 4.21
Pepper, White, per picul	$27.47 to 27.50
Pepper, Black, per picul	$18.80 to 19.50
Rattan, Straits, per picul	$5.25 to 5.45
Rattans, Bangar, per picul	$4.25 to 4.60
Sandal Wood, Malabar, per picul	$7.05 to .16
Sandal Wood, South Seas, per picul	$17.00 to 17.5
Sapan Wood, Manila, per picul	$1.45 to 1.65
Sapan Wood, Siam, per picul	$2.25 to 2.85
Sugar, Shek-lung, White, No. 1, p. pcl.	$7.50 to 8.05
Sugar, Shek-lung, White, No. 2, p. pcl.	$6.75 to 6.93
Sugar, Shek-lung, Brown, per picul	$4.35 to 4.30
Sugar Candy, Shek-lung, per picul	$7.75 to 7.90
Sugar Candy, Foochow, per picul	$8.55 to 8.60
Sugar Candy, Swatow, White, per picul	$6.75 to 7.80
Vermicelli, Tientsin, per picul	$7.50 to 7.70
Wheat, Tientsin, per picul	$2.15 to 2.20
Wheat, Japan, per picul	$2.15 to 2.29
Wood Oil, per picul	Tls. 6.3.0 to 6.3.5
Window Glass, per box	3.15 to 3.29

SHIPPING IN THE CHINA WATERS.

HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

Vessels.	Date of Arrival	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Achilles	Feb. 11	C. Anderson	Brit. str	1528	Butterfield & Swire	
Benlarig	Feb. 4	Clark	Brit. str	1482	Gibb, Livingston & Co	Nagasaki
Catterthun	Feb. 11	Hugh Craig	Brit. str	1406	Russell & Co	
China	—	—	Ger. str	648	Hing Lee & Co	
City of Peking	Feb. 11	Perry	Amr. str	3729	P. M. S. S. Co	S. Francisco
Danube	Feb. 8	J. Newton	Brit. str	561	Yuen Fat Hong	Bangkok
Diamante	Feb. 11	Stack	Brit. str	514	Russell & Co	Manila
Emuy	Feb. 2	F. Blanco	Span. str	240	Braudao & Co	
Estrella	Oct. 3	M. de Olea[illegible]	Span. str	180	Remedios & Co	
Euripides	Feb. 9	J. Hardy	Brit. str	1153	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Fame	—	Stonaill	Brit. str	117	H. & W. Dock Co.	
Ianmerven	Feb. 9	Thompson	Brit. str	2777	Order	
Greyhound	Feb. 12	D. Scott	Brit. str	227	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Hailoong	Feb. 12	Goddard	Brit. str	277	Douglas Lapraik & Co	Pakhoi
Hankow	—	J. Ogston	Brit. str	2235	Butterfield & Swire	Canton
Heron	Sept. 23	Oberg	Brit. str	—	Pustau & Co	
Hevelu	Feb. 10	Detlefsen	Ger. str	337	Ed. Schellhass & Co	
Honam	—	T.T. Benning	Brit. str	1344	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Canton
Japan	Feb. 7	Gardner	Brit. str	1865	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co	Calcutta
Kinkiang	—	Clarke	Brit. str	1061	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Macao
Kiungchow	—	S. W. Goggin	Brit. str	283	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Canton
Kong Beng	Feb. 10	R. Jones	Brit. str	862	Yuen Fat Hong	
Madras	Feb. 8	H. Plangé	Brit. str	1097	Siemssen & Co	
Marie	Feb. 12	Hohlmann	Ger. str	714	Wieler & Co	
Meefoo	Feb. 12	Lunt	Amr. str	1333	Russell & Co	Nagasaki
Menzaleh	Feb. 7	Benois	Fr. str	1276	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama
Mount Lebanon	Oct. 3	D. Maxwell	Brit. str	1554	Jardine, Matheson & Co	
Namoa	Feb. 11	Pitman	Brit. str	833	Douglas Lapraik & Co	Coast Ports
Nam-vian	Feb. 11	Garceau	Brit. str	472	A. R. Marty	
Oxus	Jan. 27	Rapatel	Fr. str	2374	Messageries Maritimes	
Powan	—	Lefavour	Brit. str	1842	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Canton
Rory	Feb. 10	Marsden	Brit. str	1262	Russell & Co	Amoy
Sea Gull	—	Lesbirel	Amr. str	48	C. Traders' Insurance Co	
Shun On	Dec. 14	Blumenberg	Ams. str	138	Chinese	
Taiwan	Feb. 8	Jas. Arthur	Brit. str	1200	Butterfield & Swire	Melbourne
Triumph	Feb. 8	T. Schuldt	Ger. str	674	Wieler & Co	
Welcombe	Feb. 4	Corfield	Brit. str	1323	Butterfield & Swire	
White Cloud	—	A. Benning	Brit. str	652	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	
Wingsang	Feb. 7	De St. Croix	Brit. str	1554	Jardine, Matheson & Co	Calcutta
W.-o'-the-Wisp	Dec. 22	Owston	Brit. str	166	Pustau & Co	

SAILING VESSELS.

Vessels.	Date of Arrival	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Abbie Carver	Jan. 4	Pendleton	Amr. bk	934	Captain	Cebu
Alden Besse	Dec. 9	J. A. O'Brien	Amr. bk	812	Melchers & Co	
Alex. McNeil	Dec. 20	G. W. David	Amr. sh	1038	Melchers & Co	
Centaur	Dec. 29	Offersen	Brit. bk	469	Wieler & Co	
Chandernagor	Jan. 29	Geo. Parker	Brit. bk	700	Order	
Coloma	Jan. 17	C. M. Noyes	Amr. bk	851	Melchers & Co	Portland
Commodore	Dec. 10	Blanchhard	Amr. sh	1909	Russell & Co	S. Francisco
Crescent	Nov. 13	Rowland	Amr. bk	583	Russell & Co	New York
Ed. L. M'berry	Jan. 3	Knight	Amr. bk	624	J. J. dos Remedios & Co	
Emily	Nov. 18	Crichton	Brit. bg	296	Captain	
F. C. Sieben	Jan. 17	Hohlm	Ger. bk	641	Wieler & Co	
Friederich	Jan. 16	H. Spiesen	Ger. bk	595	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	
Furness Abbey	Dec. 19	Marcy	Amr. sh	1041	Adamson, Bell & Co	Iloilo
Goodell	Jan. 5	Hogan	Amr. bk	840	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Gustav & Oscar	Jan. 23	Seemann	Ger. sh	1351	Melchers & Co	
H. C. Sibley	Nov. 11	Fowler	Amr. bk	547	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	New York
Hedvig	Dec. 23	J. G. Berg	Brit. bk	376	Chinese	
Helene	Jan. 31	Behrmann	Ger. sch	423	Wieler & Co	
Helicon	Nov. 27	J. B. Howes	Amr. sh	1139	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	
Invincible	Dec. 29	Skewes	Amr. sh	1391	Order	
[illegible]no	Nov. 27	Höckelmann	Ger. bk	344	Carlowitz & Co	Hamburg
John C. Smith	Jan. 18	N. B. Frase	Am. sch	428	Order	
Jessie Osborne	Jan. 29	J. Wilson	Brit. sh	1056	Carlowitz & Co	Akyab
Lennox Castle	Oct. 31	Sabrido	Brit. bk	683	Lane, Crawford & Co	For sale
Livingstone	Feb. 9	H. Steffens	Ger. bk	591	Wieler & Co	
Martha	Feb. 4	McPherson	Brit. bk	864	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	
May	Feb. 10	G. Forbes	Brit. bkn	237	Adamson, Bell & Co	
M. D'tschmann	Feb. 11	Spierling	Ger. sch	164	Ed. Schellhass & Co	
Melbrok	Feb. 2	Lightbody	Brit. bk	819	Order	
M. Lebanon	Aug. 22	Nelson	Brit. bk	530	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	
Nicolas Thayer	Dec. 19	R. S. Crosby	Amr. bk	555	Captain	
N. American	Feb. 2	Yallett	Amr. sh	1520	Order	
Oneida	Feb. 8	McGilverry	Amr. sh	1634	Gibb, Livingstone & Co	
Pax	Nov. 10	J. F. Gills	Ger. bk	639	Carlowitz & Co	Hamburg
P. Wilhelmina	Jan. 8	Vinke Muller	Dut. bk	370	Siemssen & Co	
Samar	Dec. 19	O. O. Jones	Amr. sh	1070	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Sardonyx	Feb. 2	Bucknam	Brit. sch	496	Jardine, Matheson & Co	
Sea Witch	Jan. 6	J. M. Drew	Amr. sh	1233	Russell & Co	
Scoloo	Dec. 22	Bilkie	Brit. bk	473	Borneo Co., Limited	
Spartan	Dec. 31	Crossly	Amr. bk	709	Captain	
S. S. Ridgway	Nov. 26	Townsend	Amr. bk	831	Chinese	
Ta Lee	Sept. 14	Stolze	Ger. bk	342	Siemssen & Co	
Thos. Dana	Jan 28	Jas. M. Small	Amr. sh	1388	Russell & Co	
Titania	Dec. 29	Townsend	Brit. sh	879	Melchers & Co	Madras
Wagrien	Dec. 17	G. Sachse	Ger. sch	179	Wieler & Co	
Walls Castle	Jan. 28	H. Kennett	Brit. bk	375	Lane, Crawford & Co	
West. Monarch	Nov. 7	Erichsen	Brit. sh	1315	Captain	S. Francisco
W. H. Besse	Jan. 8	S. B. Gibbs	Amr. bk	1027	Captain	
Willie	Nov. 25	O. Alin	Brit. sch	275	Meyer & Co	

MACAO.

Vessels.	Date of Arrival	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Kiang-ping	—	Holmes	Amr. str	360	Russell & Co	

WHAMPOA.

Vessels.	Date of Arrival	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Amoy	Feb. 8	De Ezville	Brit. str	814	Siemssen & Co	Shanghai
Peking	Feb. 11	Heuermann	Brit. str	954	Siemssen & Co	
Tamsui	Feb. 9	A. Varden	Brit. str	919	Butterfield & Swire	

CANTON.

Vessels.	Date of Arrival	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Activ	Feb. 6	Revsbeck	Dan. str	268	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	
California	June 19	J. Sobrido	Span. bk	420	Lane, Crawford & Co	
Mary Austin	—	Mooney	Brit. str	140	Order	
Milton	Jan. 12	Kurtswig	Brit. str	220	Captain	

AMOY.

In Port on 6th February, 1885.

Vessels.	Date of Arrival	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Francisca	Jan. 10	Gontard	Ger. bk	368	H. A. Petersen & Co	
Galveston	Feb. 5	H. Stunkel	Ger. bk	619	Pasedag & Co	
Hilda	Jan. 28	Jensen	Brit. sch	306	Pasedag & Co	
Johann Carl	Jan. 12	Schwart	Ger. sch	144	Pasedag & Co	
Pelham	Jan. 30	R. Downie	Brit. bg	254	Pasedag & Co	
Therese	Jan. 30	Lorenzen	Ger. bk	391	H. A. Petersen & Co	

FOOCHOW.

In Port on 30th January, 1885.

Vessels.	Date of Arrival	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Minna	Nov. 15	Richter	Brit. bg	435	Chinese	
Nicoline	Jan. 26	Mahlmann	Ger. sch	331	Captain	

SHANGHAI.

In Port on 7th February, 1885.

Vessels.	Date of Arrival	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Argos	Jan. 29	Thomson	Brit. bg	289	Nils Moller	
Batavia	Jan. 21	Nilsson	Brit. bk	366	Nils Moller	
Cannanore	Jan. 2	Miller	Brit. sh	1599	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Chingtah	Sept. 17	Taylor	Chi. bk	456	H. M. Schultz	
Claro Babuyan	Jan. 28	Brown	Brit. bk	358	Morris & Co	
D. I. Tenney	Jan. 25	Wilson	Amr. sh	1638	C. & J. Trading Co	
Hermann	Jan. 16	Ludwigs	Ger. sh	1815	C. & J. Trading Co	
Leeyth	July 6	Cubane	Brit. bk	219	Morris & Co	
Northampton	Nov. 25	Richards	Brit. sh	1173	W. Hewett & Co	
Rebecca	Jan. 29	John	Rus. sch	140	Siemssen & Co	
Ribston	Jan. 12	O'Grady	Brit. bk	397	Jardine, Matheson & Co	
Robt. S. B'nard	Jan. 14	Andrews	Brit. bk	1199	Fearon, Low & Co	
Satsuma	Jan. 11	Swensen	Brit. bk	364	Morris & Co	
Sea Swallow	Feb. 8	Maher	Brit. bk	332	Lewis & Hopkins	
Solider	Jan. 1	Landholm	Brit. bk	240	Nils Moller	
Tetuan	Jan. 16	Roper	Brit. bk	457	Order	
W. Siegfried	Jan. 12	Schieder	Brit. bk	823	Nils Moller	

HIOGO.

In Port on 24th January, 1885.

Vessels.	Date of Arrival	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Erins' Gem	Jan. 17	Belyea	Brit. sh	1479	Meyer & Co	
Hidesato Maru	Jan. 20	Hosei	Jap. bk	493	Kiodo Unyu Kwai	
Queen Emma	Jan. 6	—	Brit. bk	314	Walsh, Hall & Co	

NAGASAKI.

In Port on 24th January, 1885.

Vessels.	Date of Arrival	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Gitanilla	Jan. 22	Taylor	Brit. bk	472	Holme, Ringer & Co	

YOKOHAMA.

In Port on 4th February, 1885.

Vessel.	Date of Arrival	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
A. Cashman	July 12	Isaacs	Ger. sch	93	F. Retz	
Ada	Jan. 17	Hardy	Brit. sch	72	Captain	
Alma	July 8	Boyd	Am. sch	43	J. D. Carroll & Co	
Black Diamond	Oct. 2	Boyd	Ger. bk	670	P. Bohm	
Diana	Sept. 21	Petersen	Am. sch	78	Captain	
Felix	Nov. 15	Sternberg	Ger. sch	86	F. Retz	
Guam	Nov. 9	Smith	Brit. sch	215	A. Clark	
Hans	Aug. 24	Thomsen	Ger. bk	313	J. W. Palmer	
John M. Clerk	Jan. 26	Conant	Amr. bk	719	Frazar & Co	
Mary C. Bohm	Nov. 23	Saade	Ger. sch	48	P. Bohm	
Mercur	Sept. 8	—	Ger. sch	283	Grosser & Co	
Nemo	Oct. 22	Van Pelt	Brit. sch	93	Owston, Snow & Co	
North Star	—	Boyd	Am. sch	43	J. D. Carroll & Co	
Otsego	Sept. 21	Ewalt	Brit. sch	60	Captain	
Rosa	Nov. 28	Brassey	Rus. sch	53	Captain	
Sir W. Wallace	Feb. 3	Brown	Brit. bk	968	Millison & Co	
W. Minstrel	Sept. 13	Seivewright	Brit. bk	239	Captain	

MANILA.

In Port on 22nd January, 1885.

Vessel.	Date of Arrival	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Belle Wooster	Dec. 13		Am. sch	430	F. Richardson & Co	
Bowfell	Dec. 5		Brit. bk	774	Ker & Co	
Earl Granville	Dec. 1		Brit. sh	1193	W. F. Stevenson & Co	New York
Erl Konig	Jan. 20		Ger. bk	457	Geo. Mackenzie & Co	U. States
Evanell	Nov. 29		Amr. bk	513	Smith, Bell & Co	New York
Freeman	Jan. 10		Amr. bk	1198	W. F. Stevenson & Co	
H. A. Litchfield	Dec. 3		Amr. bk	619	W. F. Stevenson & Co	
Herradura	Dec. 26		Aus. bk	613	Peele, Hubbell & Co	
Hieronymus	Jan. 13		Ger. bk	425	Forbes, Munn & Co	
H. J. Libby	Jan. 20		Amr. bk	621	Ker & Co	
Leucadia	Oct. 2		Brit. bk	396	Macleod & Co	
Mirzapore	Jan. 11		Brit. sh	1186	Peele, Hubbell & Co	S. Francisco
Nyassa	Oct. 16		Brit. bk	800	F. Richardson & Co	Liverpool
Salsola	Nov. 28		Brit. bk	797	Master	
Sarmatian	July 26		Brit. sh	1198	Smith, Bell & Co	

ILOILO.

In Port on 19th January, 1885.

Vessel.	Date of Arrival	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Agenor	Dec. 6		Amr. sh	1497	Peele, Hubbell & Co	Boston
Beaconsfield	Oct. 26		Brit. sh	1450	Smith, Bell & Co	New York
Cheshire	Jan. 10		Amr. bk	739	J. Carvallo	
Paul Jones	Jan. 16		Amr. sh	1206	Smith, Bell & Co	Boston
P. N. Blanchard	Jan. 18		Amr. sh	1582	Smith, Bell & Co	New York
Sachem	Jan. 4		Brit. sh	1381	Peele, Hubbell & Co	New York
Scotia	Jan. 19		Brit. bk	774	W. F. Stevenson & Co	St. Helena

CEBU.

In Port on 3rd January, 1885.

Vessel.	Date of Arrival	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Luzon	Jan. 3		Amr. sh	1339	Macleod & Co	U. States
Martha Davies	Dec. 31		Amr. bk	932	Smith, Bell & Co	New York

HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADRON.

Name.	Rig.	Guns	H.P.	Captain.	Where at
Albatross	screw sloop	4	840	Com. Hicks	Korea
Audacious	double-screw iron frigate	14	4330	Captain Pearson	Hongkong
Champion	corvette	14	2340	Captain Powlett	Amoy
Cleopatra	corvette	14	2610	Capt. H. N. Hippisley	Hongkong
Cockchafer	gunboat	4	470	Lt.-Com. Boteler	Tamsui
Curacoa	corvette	14	2540	Capt. J. G. J. Hanmer	Singapore
Daring	composite sloop	4	920	Com. Laurence Ching	Shanghai
Esk	double-screw gunboat	3	340	In reserve	Swatow
Espoir	gunboat	4	455	Lieut.-Com. Gamble	Shanghai
Firebrand	composite gunboat	4	460	Lieut.Com. Dickson	Hongkong
Flying Fish	sloop	4	840	Capt. J. F. L. P. Maclear	Hongkong
Fly	double-screw gun-vessel	4	490	Com. John Hope	Hongkong
Foxhound	gunboat	4	470	Lieut.-Com. McQuhae	Hoihow
Linnet	gunboat	5	1050	Commander G. W. Hill	Hongkong
Merlin	composite gunboat	4	430	Lt.-Com. R. B. C. Brenton	Canton
Midge	double-screw gun-vessel	4	470	Com. Hothan	Foochow
Pegasus	sloop	6	970	Com. Bickford	Hongkong
Sapphire	corvette	12	2360	Capt. R. G. Kinahan	Shanghai
Swift	double-screw gun-vessel	5	1010	Lieut.-Com. Bromley	Amoy
Tweed	double-screw gunboat	3	340	Commander Loane	Hongkong
V. Emanuel	receiving ship	20	—	Commodore Morant	Hongkong
Vigilant	paddle despatch-vessel	2	1230	Lt.-Com. T. E. Maxwell	Hongkong
Wanderer	composite sloop	3	750	Com. O. Churchill	Hongkong
Wivern	turret-ship	4	1450	In reserve	Hongkong
Zephyr	gunboat	4	530	Lt.-Com. C. K. Hope	Shanghai

FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR ON THE CHINA AND JAPAN STATION.

Name.	Flag.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Atalante	French frigate	12	2400	Captain Treve	Matsou
Abreck	Russian gunboat	7	300	Captain Schans	Nagasaki
Alert	American corvette	4	800	Commander J. C. Barclay	Canton
Amaki Kan	Japanese corvette	—	—	Commander Jago	Shanghai
Aragon	Spanish frigate	—	—	Captain Zubraca	Hongkong
Aspic	French gunboat	4	—	Capt. M. de F. Jonquières	Formosa
Bayard	French frigate	14	4556	Capt. Parrayon	Cruising
Champlain	French cruiser	10	1450	—	Cruising
Chateau Renaud	French corvette	—	—	Captain Le Pontois	Haiphong
Cristo. Colombo	Italian corvette	—	—	Captain Accinni	Shanghai
Da. Estephania	Portuguese corvette	—	—	Capt. F. da Costa Cabral	Cruising
D'Estaing	French cruiser	15	—	Captain Coulombeaud	Formosa
Drac	French corvette	—	—	Captain Ferrat	Saigon
Duguay-Trouin	French corvette	5	—	Captain Guien	Cruising
Eclaireur	French sloop	8	—	Captain Fournier	Formosa
Elizabeth	German corvette	21	2[illegible]00	Comd. Schering	Yokohama
Enterprise	American corvette	6	800	Commander A. S. Barker	Chefoo
Ermak	Russian transport	—	80	Captain Koltchau	Vladivostock
Gornostai	Russian gunboat	7	80	Commander Stark	Tientsin
Iltis	German gunboat	4	340	Lieut.-Com. Rotger	Korea
Jaguar	French gunboat	—	—	Lieut.-Com. Foriet	Haiphong
Juniata	American corvette	8	900	Com. P. F. Harrington	Foochow
La Galissoniere	French frigate	14	2370	Captain Fleuriais	Tamsui
La Nive	French transport	—	—	Captain de Kerambasquer	Kelung
Lynx	French gunboat	4	—	Captain Blouet	Haiphong
Lutin	French gunboat	4	100	Captain Dabat	Saigon
Minin	Russian frigate	16	6000	Captain Grenquist	Yokohama
Monocacy	American gunboat	6	750	Com. F. J. Higginson	Shanghai
Morge	Russian gunboat	7	80	Commander Boyle	Vladivostock
Naezdnik	Russian corvette	13	250	Captain Kalogneras	Batavia
Nautilus	German gunboat	4	600	Captain Aschenborn	Tientsin
Nerpa	Russian gunboat	7	80	Commander Valrondt	Vladivostock
Nielly	French corvette	—	—	Capt. D. des Asart	Cruising
Opritchnik	Russian cruiser	13	250	Capt. B. Ivashentzoff	Shanghai
Ossipee	American corvette	8	800	Capt. J. J. McGlinsey	Korea
Palos	American gunboat	6	500	Lieut.-Com. J. Nelson	Newchwang
Parceval	French gunboat	4	—	Captain Thonnine	Saigon
Razboynik	Russian cruiser	8	250	Captain Pojarsky	Nagasaki
R. de Genouilly	French cruiser	—	—	Commander Richard	Formosa
Saone	French cruiser	—	—	Captain W. Nenin	Kelung
Skobeleff	Russian corvette	—	—	Captain Blasodareff	Nagasaki
Sobol	Russian gunboat	7	80	Commander Boyle	Tientsin
Stosch	German corvette	18	2500	Captain von Nostitz	Shanghai
Tamega	Portuguese gunboat	—	—	Capt. Avila	Hongkong
Tongous	Russian gunboat	—	—	Commander Heck	Vladivostock
Trenton	American frigate	14	—	Captain Phythian	Hongkong
Triomphante	French ironclad	14	2400	Captain Baux	Cruising
Velasco	Spanish cruiser	3	1500	Capt. D. E. Butron	Manila
Vettor Pisani	Italian corvette	—	—	Captain Polumbo	R. R. H'kong
Villars	French corvette	15	600	Captain Vivielle	Cruising
Vipère	French gunboat	4	—	Captain Peireyre	Hongkong
Volta	French cruiser	6	—	Captain C. A. Gigon	Cruising
Vostock	Russian gunboat	4	—	Commander Molchonsky	Vladivostock

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